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ONE YEAR, SERVICE MEMBERS, \$4
CIVILIANS AND ORGANIZATIONS, \$6Reserves Seek Funds
For Proper Training

THAT the Reserve Officers' Association of the United States, in seeking an appropriation from Congress to provide for the training of not less than 20,000 Reserve Officers for a period of 15 days during 1929, is not receding from its fixed policy of urging that "all available reserve officers be given 15 days' active duty training annually" is stressed in an exclusive interview granted the *Army and Navy Journal* by Brig. Gen. Roy Hoffman, Res., President of the Association.

Urging that the active training of both Reserve Officers and C. M. T. C. students is essential to our National Defense system, General Hoffman pledged the support of the Association for appropriations sufficient to ensure the maintenance of an adequate Reserve, National Guard, R. O. T. C., and C. M. T. C.

Want 20,000 Trained.

It is realized that these objectives must be attained by progressive steps; that each year there should be an increased number of trainees provided for. Therefore, this year the Association is asking Congress to provide for the active duty training of not less than 20,000 officers.

During the course of the interview General Hoffman outlined the policies of the Association as follows:

"Our Association believes that the Morrow Bill, passed in 1926, creating the additional increment of the Army Air Corps, is one that all loyal citizens should get behind; indeed, it is often suggested that the development of the Army Air Corps cannot be sufficiently expedited under its terms. Nothing should be permitted to interfere with, or delay, the speedy upbuilding of our air-defense forces. However, the present plan of superimposing the expense of the Army Air Corps on the appropriations for Organized Reserve Training, is fast absorbing such appropriations, and, if continued during the five-year period set out in the Morrow Bill of 1926, will entirely eliminate the active duty training of Reserve Officers. As only Reserve Officers, who are known to be thoroughly trained flying officers, are called to duty under this bill, it cannot be rightfully construed as a training activity of the Organized Reserves. Our Association is seeking to have the expenses of the Air Corps Act provided for in a special appropriation for that purpose.

"The budget for training during the fiscal year 1927, set the training period at 14 days; whereas, until that time it had been 15 days. Though, both House Appropriations Committee and the House of Representatives intended to restore the period to 15 days, it was not done for the reason there was a misunderstanding by the Appropriations Committee as to the sufficiency of the fund designated by the War Department for that purpose. We are seeking to have the training period set back to 15 days, as was contemplated in the drafting of the National Defense Act of 1920.

Impossible to Apportion Funds.

"Each year there has been a substantial amount of the meager appropriations for our training activities returned to the Treasurer of the United States, because it was impossible to apportion perfectly the available funds. To correct this situation we are requesting Congress to make our appropriations available for a period of 18 months, as are the National Guard and some other funds.

"The present budget provides for but \$20,000 with which to reimburse Regular Army officers on duty with the reserves, for gas and oil necessarily used by them in private cars in the performance of official duties imposed upon them. Not less than \$50,000 is necessary for this purpose, and, unless that sum is provided either the Regular Army Officers must lose considerable sums of money individually, or their work must be greatly hampered and impaired. We shall urge Congress to increase the estimate of \$20,000.

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Army-Navy Athletic
Agreement Forecast

REACTION to the announcement that the Military and Naval Academy authorities had been unable to agree on eligibility rules and had suspended plans for the 1928 Army-Navy football game, indicates strong disapproval of a termination of the classic. While no official action has been taken as yet, it is practically assured that if the Academy authorities cannot reach an agreement, steps will be taken to insure the playing of the game.

Contract Returned Unsigned.

On the heels of his statement on Cadet eligibility which appeared in the *Army and Navy Journal* last week, Gen. E. B. Winans, U. S. A., Superintendent of the Military Academy announced that he was returning the contract for the 1928 Army-Navy contest to Annapolis unsigned because of the eligibility clause it contained and the Navy's apparent desire to be released from mutual four-year agreement if this clause was not accepted. The following day, Rear Adm. Nulton, U. S. N., Superintendent of the Naval Academy, issued a statement answering General Winans.

Secretaries Not Involved.

The Secretaries of War and Navy after the publication of the Superintendents' statements, indicated that the handling of interacademy athletic relations was being left in the hands of the heads of the

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Plan Housing Investigation

ARMY housing conditions will be investigated by a committee appointed by the Industrial Department of the National Civic Federation under authority of a resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the Federation in New York City.

The Federation, of which the Hon. Elihu Root is president and John Hays Hammond, chairman, took action following an address by Mrs. R. I. Rees, wife of Lt. Col. R. I. Rees, on "Housing Conditions at Army Posts."

In the course of her speech, Mrs. Rees, who has lived for some 20 years on various Army posts from Alaska to the Philippines, described the deplorable conditions under which Service personnel is living and read the letter of Mrs. Pollie B. Fair, wife of Tech. Sgt. J. K. Fair, U. S. A., recently published in the *Army and Navy Journal*.

As a direct result of Mrs. Rees' address the resolution was offered and adopted authorizing a study of housing conditions at Army posts in the interest of National Defense and also the conditions at Air Corps flying fields and Naval Stations if developments warrant. Mr. Philip Hiss, of New York, was named chairman of the investigating committee.

Interest in the proposal of Maj. Gen. B. F. Cheatham, U. S. A., the Quartermaster General was also evidenced by the Federation and was alluded to by Mrs. Rees, who, during the course of her remarks said:

"It has been the proposal of the Quartermaster General in planning buildings for the hoped-for appropriation from Congress to erect large apartment houses with a general mess for officers of the Army. He very fairly has asked for criticisms from the women of the service.

"Just about a year ago I went over to Governors Island with a party of friends to attend a polo game. We were invited to stay to dinner at the Officers' Mess and, pending that time, we had to wait around. One of the young officers came over and asked me if I would go over to the 'Rat's Nest' with them. Being very much mystified by what could be meant by 'Rat's Nest' I

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Your Opinion

of the Personnel Board report just submitted to Congress will prove valuable in helping the legislators to evolve a Promotion measure which will serve the best interests of the Service. The *Army and Navy Journal* invites you to submit your views. If you think the report is excellent, say so. If you do not, say so.

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Promotion Hearings Soon

HEARINGS on the proposed promotion legislation presented to the Congress by the War Department are scheduled to begin early in January when Congress reconvenes after the Christmas holidays. Prospects of action on some of the 14 measures suggested seem bright.

In the House Military Committee it is planned to take up separately each of the 14 bills suggested by the General Personnel Board in their supplementary proceedings. Subcommittees will be appointed to work on these measures with Representatives Morin, James and Wainwright on them.

Senate Waits House Action

On the Senate side there has been no consideration given the report and indications are that a few general hearings will be held in order to familiarize the Military Committee with the recommendations. It is considered likely that the proposed Bill, in its entirety, will be passed by the Senate and then sent into conference with whatever legislative action the House may eventually take.

In the meanwhile discussion and comment upon the report and bill, as published in the *Army and Navy Journal* of December 17, continues throughout the Service and the consensus of opinion so far advanced indicates that it has been favorably received as a whole although exception is taken by many to certain sections dealing with elimination. The disapproval of Section 9 relating to enlisted personnel by the Bureau of the Budget is causing much comment but Congress may take action to over-ride this disapproval.

The letter of Secretary of War Davis transmitting the report of the General Board follows:

Section 4 of the Air Corps Act approved July 2, 1926, directed that the Secretary of War submit to Congress in December, 1926, a study on alleged injustices in the promotion list of the Army. This study was submitted together with definite recommendations for improving the promotion situation in the Army. As a result of consideration of the matter by the 69th Congress, the suggestion reached the War Department from the Committee on Military Affairs of the House of Representatives that the problem be studied by officers outside of Washington representing the various groups in the Army and that any recommendations submitted to the 70th Congress should be those of general officers representative of the various groups, and who would individually be unaffected by the promotion system.

All Officers Represented

The above suggestions have been complied with. One or more local boards were convened in each of the Corps Areas and departments, at each of the general and special service schools, and by each chief of the branches concerned. These boards as a whole represented every category of officers who comprise the promotion list. The pre-war members included appointees of the Spanish American War period, U. S. Military Academy graduates, and appointees from the ranks, civil life, etc. The members whose service originated during the World War included former emergency officers of various antecedents who were appointed in both field and company grades

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Congress Fight on
Navy Program Looms

SUBMISSION of the five-year naval building program soon after the reconvening of Congress with certain amendments and with recommendations of the House Naval Affairs Committee that provision be made for getting construction under way without delay are forecast in legislative circles.

Hearings are to be started by the committee shortly after the holidays and the department's data is ready so that no great delay is anticipated in the reporting out of the bill by the committee.

Lively Fight Anticipated.

That a lively fight will be precipitated seems a foregone conclusion. Not only will there be strong opposition to a building program as extensive as the one proposed but even among the most ardent sponsors of an "adequate Navy" there are those who threaten to oppose the measure unless actual construction is assured. As expressed by Chairman Butler, they want "ships of steel not of paper."

Sponsors of the measure favor this procedure. They want the bill reported favorably, a vote in the House on the bill as it stands and let the question of appropriations follow in the event of the bill's passage.

Want Construction Assured.

Unquestionably there is a sentiment in some quarters that there should be no loopholes left by which construction can be suspended. The temper of the committee and other Navy "backers" apparently will not brook any half-way measures. They realize that the forces afloat are pitifully inadequate, far below the 5-5-3 ratio of the treaty, and that no possible agreement would make unnecessary new construction on our part.

In the preparation of the bill and the data ready for the committee, a very definite time limit is fixed. The total construction sought would be finished within nine years from the time work begins. Whether it will start this year, depends, of course, on what Congress decides. The attitude of the Budget is also problematical. The President has made no commitment and there seems no sound foundation for published reports that the administration has taken an unalterable attitude of opposition to appropriations subsequent to the passage of the bill authorizing the new ships.

Decorations Awarded Marines

Award of the Distinguished Flying Cross to First Lt. H. D. Boyden, U. S. M. C. and of the Navy Cross to seven other officers and men of the Marine Corps, made by the Permanent Board of Awards, headed by Rear Adm. Andrew T. Long, were approved by the Secretary of the Navy on December 21. Forty-seven letters of commendation were also awarded.

The award of the Distinguished Flying Cross was made to 1st Lt. Hayne D. Boyden, "for having distinguished himself by display of extraordinary heroism, initiative, coolness and excellent judgment when on July 16, 1927, while in command of an air patrol of two planes, during an insurrection in Nicaragua, he discovered the small Marine detachment at Ocotal to be besieged by a vastly superior force. Lieutenant Boyden immediately dispatched one plane for reinforcements and then in the face of heavy hostile fire heroically proceeded single-handed to the attack. This prompt and courageous action undoubtedly proved an important factor in the eventual relief of the beleaguered garrison."

The recipients of the Navy Cross with the citation were as follows:

Col. R. C. Berkeley: "For distinguished service to the Government in a duty of responsibility in command of the 11th Regiment in Nicaragua in the Spring of 1927"

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Editorial Opinion Divided On Army-Navy Athletic Break

THREAT of severance of Army-Navy athletic relations over the adoption of the three-year eligibility rule by West Point, divided the press of the country into three camps this week. Some editors feel that the Service institutions are in a class by themselves and that their academic requirements obviate the need for further athletic regulation. Others uphold the Navy contention that the academies should subscribe to the same athletic rules as are in force at all the leading universities. The third remark that there is much to be said on both sides and express the hope that an amicable agreement can be reached without official intervention.

The *New York Herald Tribune* (Independent Republican) states: "We do not hesitate to place ourselves in support of the Army's position. As we have said on several occasions, we believe that football should be played for healthful fun and recreation and so long as a player maintains a high academic standing he should be eligible for the varsity team. In the case of the Army and Navy the question of academic standing of athletes does not arise, as every student must maintain an exceptionally high standard." The *New York World* (Democratic) remarks that "in the controversy that has arisen between Annapolis and West Point over the eligibility of football players it seems to us that the sense is all on the side of West Point." The *New York Times* (Democratic) believes that "the Army position is unassailable. But that still leaves Army teams holding something of an athletic advantage over colleges that enforce the three-year rule for varsity competition. This includes Navy."

The *Charleston, S. C. News and Courier* (Democratic) after telling of General Winans' statement in explaining that athletes at West Point are trained for the purpose of developing athletics in the Army after graduation remarks:

"The Navy, of course, dislikes being the goat in this season's process. Why should we, we imagine the Navy men will now ask, help 'season' men like 'Light Horse Harry' Wilson, who played three years at Penn State before beginning his seasoning at West Point which will assist him in training soldiers in Hawaii, or at Plattsburg or even at Fort Moultrie, perchance. * * * As far as we are concerned, any man who can stand eight years of college football has our permission. But that is where the catch is, as the Navy sees it. Any man who can do this is some man and some opponent."

The *Cincinnati Enquirer* (Democratic) in a cartoon captioned "Nothing Doing, Says The Army," depicts the Navy floating away in a dreadnaught entitled "Three Year Rule" from the Army marooned on an island marked "Severance of Relations."

The *Cleveland Plain-Dealer* (Independent Democrat) is "With The Navy" and declares "in the dispute over rules of eligibility which threatens to end football relations between the Naval and Military academies, public sentiment will be strongly behind the Navy. Its endeavor to place the teams of the two Service schools on the same eligibility basis as that prescribed by all the leading universities will be generally commended. * * * It is hoped, however, that the difference which has developed over this point will not prove so serious as to lead to a break and the abandonment of the Army-Navy game. * * * The two Service teams are natural rivals in the fullest sense. Their athletic relations should not be interrupted."

The *Birmingham Age-Herald* (Democratic) asserts that "in the athletic controversy which has arisen between West Point and Annapolis, the Army School is not likely to have the support of lovers of amateur sport. The three-year rule, which is the bone of contention, is the prevailing regulation in the colleges of the country. It was originally directed against 'tramp' athletes, who would not, of course, choose the rigors of military training. But the spirit behind it is just as likely to be violated at West Point as at any other institution."

"Superintendent Winans, of West Point, meets the suggestion from Annapolis by saying that the latter school has a much greater enrollment than his institution. But that fact would seem to be offset by the greater maturity of West Pointers and by the striking regularity with which college football stars appear at the Army School."

"So far as non-service colleges are concerned, they would welcome the suggested limitation. * * * Navy now insists that college athletes who have had their three years of intercollegiate football should be barred at the Service Schools. This is sound."

The *New York Evening Post* (Independent) thinks both sides are wrong. It says: "West Point is clearly and distinctly in the wrong on the issue which has arisen to break off its annual football game with Annapolis. And Annapolis is clearly and distinctly in the wrong in proposing to add to an existing four-year contract a rider with an immediate ultimatum attached to it. The negotiations, with their sheer bullheadedness on both sides, demonstrate again that the members of our fighting services are better at war than they are at diplomacy."

PHILADELPHIA and Washington papers are neutral in their comment on the controversy, expressing the hope that a compromise will be effected which will assure the continuance of the game. The *Philadelphia Public Ledger* (Republican) forecasts "much satisfaction if West Point and Annapolis can find common ground for agreement and continuance of their meetings on the gridiron." The *Philadelphia Inquirer* points to "the historic association and glamorous background" of the event and calls the situation "Companionate Rifts in Sports." It reaches the conclusion that "they apparently feel that long-standing agreements of mutual advantage may be lightly terminated at the will of either side. Evidently they have been reading about companionate marriages and have got a wrong slant on the situation."

The *Washington Star* (Independent) accepts the break with regret. It counsels patience since "Navy and Army are sincere in their positions, are trying their best to accomplish that for which they were created, to develop an efficient officer personnel, and if for the moment they determine to travel by different roads, those that have the game, and all that it represents, at heart should patiently accept the edicts of those charged with the responsibility of management of the two institutions. It is to be hoped that some solution will be reached, but confidence is felt that whatever may be the final move, that move will be for the best interests of the two academies."

The *Washington Post* advocates intervention by superiors if no inter-academy agreement is reached to assure the continuance of the game. George Rothwell Brown in "Postscripts" makes the following comment: "We trust the eligibility question will not be raised at an embarrassing moment at some future time as the Army and Navy are about to go into action."

Pershing Tells of Root's Achievements As Secretary of War

OUTLINING the achievements of Hon. Elihu Root as Secretary of War, General John J. Pershing, U. S. A., Ret., in an address on the occasion of the awarding of the Civic Forum Medal to Mr. Root at New York City this week, praised the latter's attainments highly. The General revealed some interesting facts concerning the establishment of the General Staff and the Army War College under Mr. Root's guidance and predicted that as time went on Mr. Root would assume even larger proportions in his "high place among truly great Americans."

The text of the address follows:

It is an eminently fitting thing that we should assemble here to do honor to one whose public life has shed such luster on our country. At your friends and admirers, Mr. Root, we take especial pleasure in having this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the ability and devotion with which you have served in public office, and our gratitude for the high example of citizenship you have ever given to the American people.

It was my good fortune to be Chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, under the War Department, when Mr. Root took up his duties as Secretary of War. At that time it was generally understood that President McKinley had consulted several of his friends and had asked them to give him the name of the most distinguished member of the New York bar as he wished to offer him the war portfolio.

Offered Secretaryship by Phone.

Mr. Root said in one of his addresses: "Sixteen years ago, in the month of July, having just finished the labors of the year and gone to my country home, I was called to the telephone and told by one speaking for President McKinley, 'the President directs me to say to you that he wishes you to take the position of Secretary of War.' Mr. Root answered: 'Thank the President for me, but say that it is quite absurd, I know nothing about war. I know nothing about the Army.' Mr. Root was asked to hold the wire, and in a moment he received the reply: 'President McKinley directs me to say that he is not looking for any one who knows anything about the Army. He has got to have a lawyer to direct the Government of these Spanish islands, and you are the lawyer he wants.'"

Mr. Root's reply was immediate, to the point, stating his attitude and conception of the office. "Of course," he tells us, "I had then, on the instant, to determine what kind of a lawyer I wished to be, and there was but one answer to make, and so I went to perform a lawyer's duty upon the

call of the greatest of all our clients, the Government of our country."

Reorganized War Department.

As Secretary he entered upon his duties on the first day of August, 1889, and until February 1, 1904, our sovereignty over the insular possessions was exercised under his direction. He not only prescribed the kind of government to be adopted in each group, but he reorganized the War Department, consolidated kindred bureaus, founded the Army War College, and created the General Staff.

The island of Cuba was then occupied by our troops, which were to remain in charge until such time as its Government should be handed over to its people in pursuance to the wise provision of a resolution passed by Congress when war was declared with Spain. Mr. Root's lofty conception of America's duty toward the Cuban people was expressed in his first annual report. Speaking of our relations as a sovereign power in respect to Cuba, he said: "The obligations correlative to this great power are of the highest character and it is our unquestioned duty to make the interests of the people over whom we assert sovereignty the first and controlling consideration in all legislation and administration which concerns them, and to give them, to the greatest possible extent, individual freedom, self-government, in accordance with their capacity, just and equal laws, and opportunities for education, for profitable industry and for the development of civilization."

Favored Self-Government.

His was the master mind in the control and development of the people in preparation for self-government. The instructions he issued from time to time determined the attitude and action of the Army authorities. Within three years the Cuban constitution was adopted and the people assumed the reins of Government under conditions incorporated in the Platt Amendment, devised by Mr. Root and accepted by the Cuban Congress, according to which the Government of the United States was authorized to intervene for the protection of life, liberty and property if at any time it should seem to be necessary. Thus intervention was to be in the interest of Cuba and not for exploitation by the United States. Intervention has taken place once, in 1906, at the request of President Palma of Cuba, but with extreme reluctance on the part of President Roosevelt and Mr. Root, who was Secretary of State.

Since then Cuba has been at peace. Government by law, the only safeguard of liberty, has prevailed. Order has been maintained and the people, free and prosperous, have enjoyed the pursuit of happiness. We take pride in Cuba's progress, and we are especially gratified that the ties of friendship that bind our two peoples

together grew stronger and stronger with the passing years.

Surely our policy toward Cuba, as it becomes better understood, and as her people march onward to their destiny, will be a constant and effective answer to the charge of imperialism sometimes made to the prejudice of Pan American friendship. And the exemplar of this unselfish attitude of the American people is the man whom we honor tonight.

Enforced Peace.

Across the Pacific, thousands of miles from the American continent, lay the still more difficult problem of the Philippines, peopled by a variety of races, without experience in self-government, and embroiled in internal strife and revolt. Realizing that peace must first be restored, Mr. Root at once sent additional troops and supplies and ordered vigorous military operations to suppress insurrection. Following expected favorable results, his plan was to relieve our military administration and give the people control over their local affairs as rapidly as possible. His thoughts naturally turned to our own early experience in learning self-government through the New England town meetings, where everyone took part in the affairs of the community. Guided by the guarantees of life, liberty and property contained in the amendments to our Constitution, his instructions to the American Commission were based upon these self-evident truths.

Under the able and patient direction of Mr. Taft, these ideas were carried out, and municipal and provincial governments were organized wherever peaceful conditions would warrant. I recall with pleasure my own participation in this gradual process when in the humble capacity of Adjutant General in the District of Mindanao it was my privilege to aid the Governor General in bringing the people together for their first meeting.

No one who witnessed the transition achieved under Mr. Root's conception of the problem could fail to appreciate the clearness of his vision. The happy situation of the Philippine people today in their newly-found liberties can be attributed in large measure to the care with which he laid the foundation. Nor is this all. As the natural outgrowth of the policies he prescribed, we have won a distinct place in the world's esteem as a colonial administrator, and with it have come prestige and the advancement of our commercial interests in the Far East.

Turning to the remaining island, Porto Rico, we find it today a territory of the United States and its people citizens like ourselves. Their progressive advancement to this estate, and their contentment and happiness under our flag have been unquestionably facilitated by the fundamental laws and policies which Mr. Root prepared and instituted.

As to our Army, the Spanish-American

War had found us wanting in plan and lacking in preparation. No individual, nor any body of officers had been charged with the study of the problems that would arise in war. The peace Army was scattered in small detachments throughout the country, and no unit larger than a regiment had been assembled and organized as such since the Civil War. Although successful, our experience served to emphasize the necessity for an adequate military system.

This state of affairs did not escape Mr. Root's observation. He brought his legal mind to bear upon the difficulties which confronted the Army in that crisis, when one man in the Department became responsible for the organization of troops, the raising of volunteers, the acquirement of supplies, the strategy to be employed, and the thousand and one other details involved in the prosecution of war. Every thoughtful man in the Army realized that the struggle with Spain was a minor affair compared with the conflict in which it was obvious from the developments of the time we should some day become involved. It did not take Mr. Root long to decide that then was the time to remedy our defects, if we were to avert complete disaster in a greater crisis. With that alertness of mind and that presence with which he is gifted, he set about at once to provide a better coordination of the administration of the War Department, and to create a General Staff for the control of the operations of our Armies.

Told Congress of Needs.

He pointed out that we had been living under an obsolete militia law more than a century old, which every President down to 1898 had declared to be worthless. He saw the curious spectacle of a people depending on a citizen soldiery for protection against aggression and making practically no provision whatever for training these citizens in the use of warlike weapons, or more than partially in the elementary duties of the soldier. He told the Congress that the mandate of the Constitution which required that body to provide for organizing armies and disciplining the militia had been left entirely unexecuted.

It is unnecessary to dwell upon the details of this important epoch in the history of our Army. Yet it may be recalled that the embedded aristocracy of the various bureaus fought with all its political strength to prevent the Secretary of War from decreasing its power. But he calmly and quietly proceeded with the development of his new policy, and resisting all pressure, soon brought to fruition the sound plans which he had devised. I doubt whether any man of less force of character and less ability could have produced such a far-reaching result. Those of us who have passed through the World War cannot but look upon Mr. Root as the guiding genius who made possible the services of

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Did You Read

the following important service stories last week?

Army: Army Reports on Promotion; Army Rules on Cadet Athletic Eligibility; Army Bandmaster Legislation Proposed; Stimson Appointment Philippines Lauded?

Navy-U. S. M. C.: Bachelor Officers' Legislation Planned; Decorations Award Bill for Navy and Marine Corps Officers Urged; Extracts From Navy and Marine Corps Annual Reports; Warrant Pay Bill Studied?

If not, you did not read the Army and Navy Journal! You cannot secure this vital information from any other source!

S-4 Operations Continued

THOUGH all hopes of rescuing alive any members of the crew of the S-4 had been abandoned, salvage operations will continue unabated so long as weather conditions make it possible without unduly endangering the lives of the divers, it was officially stated at the Navy Department on December 23.

Sweeping investigation of every phase of the disaster will be begun when the Court of Inquiry, headed by Rear Admiral R. H. Jackson, and consisting of Rear Admiral J. L. Latimer, Capt. J. V. Ogan and Comdr. Leslie Bratton as Judge Advocate, convenes at the Boston Navy Yard on January 4.

Struck on her forward starboard side by the Coast Guard destroyer Pauling just as she emerged from the water while running submerged tests on the usual course off Provincetown, Mass., the newly reconditioned submarine went down in a hundred feet of water "with all hands." The collision occurred at 3:37 p. m., December 17 and immediately on receipt of the report at the department, the entire machinery of the Navy was set in motion to expedite the relief work.

All available salvage equipment and divers were rushed to the scene and 24 hours later the first of the divers had located the wreck and reported six men alive in the torpedo room. Handicapped by the deep mud and by heavy weather, which stopped for a time all rescue work, efforts to get oxygen and food into the imprisoned men were unavailing until hours after the faintappings from the trapped men had ceased.

The six men who were alive after crash but for whom hope is abandoned were Lt. C. N. Fitch, Seaman J. L. Stevens, Torpedoman R. L. Short, Torpedoman R. A. Crabb, Torpedoman F. Snizek, and Seaman G. Pelnar.

Following are the officers and crew of the S-4:

Officers: Lt. Comdr. R. K. Jones, Lt. Comdr. W. P. Callaway, Lt. J. A. McGinley, Lt. G. N. Fitch, Lt. D. Weller. Enlisted Personnel: Engineman C. F. Bethke, Radioman W. Bishop, Ch. Elec. Mate E. W. Boone, Fireman H. H. Brown, Seaman J. L. Stevens, Mess Attendant M. Tedar, Engineer C. H. Thompson, Seaman W. R. Tolson, Fireman J. J. White, Elec. Mate R. J. Rose, Torpedoman F. Enizek, Torpedoman R. L. Short, Elec. Mate D. F. Goering, Mach. Mate P. Hanland, Ch. Mach. Mate A. A. Hodges, Mach. Mate A. F. Hodges, Fireman D. M. Galvin, Mate C. B. Calcott, Ch. Radioman E. L. Cash, Torpedoman R. A. Crabb, Mach. Mate W. Dempsey, Mach. Mate J. J. Fenel, Ship's Cook D. V. Haney, Elec. Mate P. R. Kempfer, Fireman J. H. Long, Engineman F. H. Oshields, Csw. J. J. Powers, Signalman R. W. Diefenbach, Seaman C. P. Burrell, Seaman B. Harris, Seaman G. Pelnar, Seaman C. B. Strange.

Magruder Charges Discussed

Whether or not Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder has substantiated his charges of over-organization and waste in Naval administration was publicly discussed by members of the House Naval Affairs Committee during the hearings granted Admiral Magruder this week.

In the Admiral's presence several members engaged in a short but heated airing of their personal views of what he had told them. Admiral Magruder had offered to leave the room but was detained by Acting Chairman Fred A. Britten, of Illinois, who precipitated the debate by declaring that the admiral, in five days of the Committee's time, had not offered a single constructive suggestion.

"I do not agree with that!" interrupted Representative McClintic, Democrat of Oklahoma, "You and only one or two other members have had a chance to question him."

Mr. McClintic was vigorously backed by Representatives Updike, of Indiana, and Andrew, of Massachusetts, Republicans, who declared that the statement was unfair and who did not think it should go out to the press.

Mr. Vinson, of Georgia, ranking Democratic member of the Committee assumed the role of peace-maker and smoothed over the situation by demanding that the discussion of the Admiral's charges be postponed to an executive session behind closed doors.

The Committee, this week subjected Admiral Magruder to a ruthless cross-examination in an effort to pin him down to definite facts and figures regarding the various economies which he claims can be accomplished by the Navy Department. The Admiral was not prepared to furnish any lump sum figures but insisted that the Navy should stop using old type ships that would be valueless in time of war and argued for the reduction of the number of admirals in the Navy to 45. He also claimed that Congress did not properly understand the contents of the Pay Bill at the time of its passage and complained of the inequalities between the "married juniors and the bachelor seniors."

Admiral Magruder was asked to furnish, in dollars and cents, the savings which he believed could be effected by his various criticisms. This he was not prepared to do.

Representative Vinson, of Georgia, questioned the admiral upon his statement that there are too many admirals in the Navy and asked if he thought the number should be fixed definitely by statute or should be on a percentage basis.

"We now have about one admiral to each thousand men. Do you want a statute to limit the number or a fixed per cent in ratio to personnel?" Mr. Vinson asked.

Admiral Magruder, "A ratio, of course."

AIRMEN BOMB BRIDGE.

Albemarle, N. C. (Special)—Army airmen this week bombed a useless bridge near here. Two days were spent in these exercises and one direct hit was reported.

Engr. T. W. Sternman, Q. M. A. E. Seaton. Mr. Charles A. Ford, a civilian, was also on board.

The Journal Salutes

THIS week the Army and Navy Journal salutes:

(1) The officers and men engaged in salvage operations on the sunken S-4.

(2) Mrs. R. I. Rees, wife of Col. Rees, who has interested the Civic Federation in Army housing conditions.

(3) Maj. J. L. Stapleton, C. W. S.-Res., and Capt. J. A. Waterman, FA.-Res., who were elected heads of their respective Reserve Chapters at Rochester and Tampa.

Navy-U. S. M. C. Bills Held Up

ELIMINATION by the budget of the "cash bonus" and the transfer to the Reserve from the proposed Naval and Marine Corps personnel bill, as "in conflict with the financial program of the President," was announced in Director Lord's letter to the Secretary of the Navy, on December 16, leaves the personnel question "up in the air."

With the "backbone" cut out, the department is giving most serious attention to the problem of finding a substitute that will be acceptable to the budget. With these two provisions out, it would be necessary to eliminate also the extension of selection downward, in the opinion of department officials, leaving but little to be gained by the passage of the remainder of the bill. The Marine Corps is in a very similar situation and conferences are going on with the budget in an effort to reach a compromise.

There is a possibility, of course, that Representative Britten may go ahead with his original bill regardless of the opposition to these two main provisions objected to by the budget.

Army Fund Hearing Suspended

HEARINGS on the War Department Appropriations Bill before the House Appropriations Committee have been suspended until after the Christmas Holiday.

With the sections of the Bill dealing entirely with non-military activities already acted upon, with the single exception of Alaskan roads and trails the Committee has taken up the military portions of the bill and has heard testimony from Maj. Gen. Kenzie W. Walker, U. S. A., Chief of Finance, Major General C. P. Summerall, U. S. A., Chief of Staff, the Judge Advocate General's Department, the Adjutant General, and Major General B. Frank Cheatham, U. S. A., The Quartermaster General, whose hearings were completed yesterday, December 23.

It is understood that a very excellent statement was made to the committee by Major General C. P. Summerall, Chief of Staff, but copies of the testimony will not be available until after the hearings have been completed and the Bill reported to the House.

DEFICIENCY BILL SIGNED.

The President on December 22 signed the Deficiency Bill which carried a number of Service appropriations including \$6,575,000 for battleship modernization; \$6,280,000 for military post construction; \$1,862,000 for work on Naval Air Stations; and \$1,650,000 for Quantico construction.

Chaplains' Bill Urged

THE Secretary of War has submitted to Congress a bill to provide a more equitable system of promotion for Army Chaplains.

The proposed bill provides that chaplains shall be promoted to the grade of captain after three years' service as first lieutenant; to the grade of major after twelve years; to the grade of lieutenant colonel after twenty years; and to the grade of colonel after twenty-six years' service. It further provides for a Chief of Chaplains, with the rank of brigadier general to be appointed for a period of four years by the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate, from chaplains not below the grade of major.

The present law on the subject provides the grade of colonel for the Chief of Chaplains, and the promotion of chaplains to the grades of captain and major are based upon five and fourteen years' service, respectively, instead of three and twelve years as in the Medical Corps and as provided for in the proposed bill.

In submitting the bill and in recommending its enactment into law, the Secretary of War states, among other things, that the purpose of the bill is to place the chaplains on an equality as to rank, pay and promotion with other officers of the professional and technical services. He also considers that to limit the rank of Chief of Chaplains to colonel, while all other chiefs of branches are major generals, is not in accordance with the place of religion in the Army nor with the value and importance of the moral and religious influence of the ministry in the Army and in civil life.

The proposed bill has been submitted to the Director of the Budget, who has stated that it is not in conflict with the financial program of the President.

NAVY P. G. STUDENTS NAMED

The following officers have been selected for postgraduate instruction preparatory to their being later designated for transfer to the civil engineer corps:

Ensi. J. E. Faigle, A. D. Hunter, and W. H. Randig.

The following officers have been selected for post-graduate instruction preparatory to their being later designated for transfer to the construction corps: Ens. Wm. W. Anderson, Jr., F. X. Forest, J. M. Lane, J. H. Rodgers, O. Stiegler, Geo. C. Weaver.

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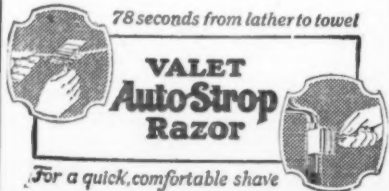
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Army Notes

AWARD has been made by the Quartermaster General to L. T. Wright & Company, San Antonio, Texas, for the construction of the new barracks at Fort Sam Houston, provided under the Army Housing program. The construction consists of one regimental barrack building and one battalion barrack building, both of modified Spanish type of architecture, reinforced concrete construction, with tile roof. The amount of the contract was \$476,162. Actual work will be begun shortly after the new year and completed within two hundred calendar days. There were twenty bidders on this contract from various sections of the country, but the L. T. Wright & Company was the low bidder. This is the last award under the 1927 housing bill and no more awards can be made until additional funds are appropriated.

The War Department has approved a permit for Rev. Raymond E. Marshall, Balboa, Canal Zone, to erect a chapel on the Fort Amador Military Reservation, Canal Zone. The permit provides that the building shall be strictly non-sectarian in character, that it shall be constructed without expense to the United States.

All officers and warrant officers of the Panama Canal Department will be given the required annual physical examination not later than February 28, 1928, if present in the department. If not present the examination will be given immediately upon return to or arrival in the department provided they were not examined in the United States.

First Division Notes

THE First Ordnance Company has recently been awarded recognition of its service with the division overseas and has been authorized to wear six silver bands on its guidon staff in commemoration of the following actions of the World War: Montdidier-Noyon, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse Argonne, Lorraine and Picardy.

Officers and men of the headquarters and First Battalion, Seventh Field Artillery, have just returned to their regular winter program of training. Since Nov 4 all members of the command have devoted their entire time in rendering assistance to the flood victims in the vicinity of Fort Ethan Allen, Vt. Furnishing guards and police in the devastated regions, regulating traffic and hauling food and clothing have been a few of their many relief activities.

With the arrival of winter weather flying by units of the First Division Air Corps at Mitchell Field, N. Y., has been cut to a minimum. A garrison school has been inaugurated, which will enable the enlisted personnel to specialize in its work for which they are best adapted and which will serve as a ground school for men who will in the future be detailed to attend the Air Corps Technical School at Chanute Field, Rantoul, Ill.

The First Signal Company at Fort Monmouth, N. J., moved out of its old cantonment barracks into its new quarters on Nov. 3, and is now settled in new modern barracks, which give far better light and facilities for study and a more cheerful atmosphere. The barracks is a new three-storied, red brick, slate roofed building.

M. O. W. W.

THE Military Order of the World War announces that the order's objectives for the coming year are:

Preparedness: Army: Directly—By organized effort to make effective the National Defense Act of 1920, with special reference to: Better housing conditions for the Regular Army; adequate appropriations to insure full training for the National Guard; maintenance and extension of the Reserve Corps Training Camps and the Citizens' Military Training Camps as important factors for the efficiency of the Organized Reserves.

Indirectly: By opposing those agencies seeking to destroy or make impotent the National Defense Act of 1920 and its related factors.

Navy: Increase of all elements of our Navy to the 5-5-3 ratio and maintenance at full efficiency.

Rehabilitation of Veterans: To cooperate with the U. S. Veterans Bureau and patriotic organizations in supporting such legislation and other activities, direct and indirect, as will improve the condition of disabled, ill and needy veterans of the World War.

Q. M. C. Non-Com. Standing

BELOW is given the eligible list for promotion to Technical Sergeant Supply. Subsequent issues will carry further standings of eligibles until the list is completed.

1. Staff Sgts. H. Putekoff; 2. J. Schiller; 3. M. N. Swetman; 4. C. H. Smith; 5. D. G. Erickson; 6. E. E. Neumann; 7. O. C. Wadsworth; 8. M. Bzdek; 9. J. W. Rock; 10. R. F. Honeyman; 11. J. T. Ford; 12. J. R. Gray; 13. E. C. Norden; 14. F. H. Krome; 15. J. M. Covington; 16. G. W. Cowles; 17. J. Heimberger; 18. C. E. Grace; 19. K. W. Ogilvie. 20. Staff Sgts. F. Richards; 21. J. C. Crowley; 22. C. L. Blaylock; 23. B. Czajkowski; 24. W. Lavender; 25. R. H. Thomas; 26. M. D. Rankin; 27. J. H. Hampton; 28. A. R. VanHorn; 29. L. A. Tye; 30. J. W. Parrish; 31. C. R. Harrell; 32. H. E. Kidwell; 33. J. H. Smith; 34. H. Schramm; 35. W. H. Van Wie; 36. G. S. Rupert; 37. P. Stroh; 38. P. Butin; 39. F. R. Kretschmer.

40. Staff Sgts. C. C. Bailey; 41. B. L. Hill; 42. O. Hofer; 43. A. Kelly; 44. E. Clark; 45. R. H. Grask; 46. A. Steffens; 47. H. J. McKeown; 48. W. M. Busker; 49. R. R. Grush; 50. R. S. Marin; 51. T. C. Carr; 52. H. C. Underwood; 53. C. J. Capen; 54. A. Stepp; 55. A. E. Stevens; 56. R. J. Briggs; 57. P. J. Gee; 58. T. Sihto; 59. J. S. Brooks.

60. Staff Sgts. J. W. Amason; 61. H. R. Fox; 62. W. S. Vice; 63. *F. Fischer; 64. F. H. Hildebrandt; 65. J. Atkinson; 66. H. E. Graff; 67. G. W. Odell; 68. H. A. Magrane; 69. A. Esmarch.

70. Pvt. 1ic. *E. G. Howard; 71. Staff Sgts. *G. C. Vogel; 72. *L. J. Klohe; 73. Sgt. *F. Gardner; 74. Staff Sgts. *C. S. Dunlap; 75. *J. E. McConnell; 76. Sgts. *J. R. Penn; 77. *W. N. Wolter; 78. *E. W. Becker; 79. *E. Parker; 80. Staff Sgt. *C. F. Gardner.

* Indicated 1924 examination.

ARMY TRANSPORT SAILINGS.

CH. THIERRY arrived at New York Dec. 21. Scheduled to sail from New York March 7 for Panama and San Francisco.

Cambrai, left Honolulu Dec. 22, due to arrive at San Francisco Dec. 28. Scheduled to sail from San Francisco for Panama and New York Jan. 6.

St. Mihiel sailed from New York Dec. 21, due to arrive at Panama Dec. 27, leave Dec. 28, and arrive at San Francisco Jan. 7. Scheduled to sail from San Francisco Feb. 7 for Panama and New York.

Thomas, left Nagasaki Dec. 11, due to arrive at San Francisco Dec. 29. Scheduled to sail from San Francisco Jan. 13 for Manila.

(Anyone desiring further information concerning sailing dates of Army transports should address the query to the Transport Editor.)

11TH INFANTRY WANTS DATA.

The 11th Infantry is compiling a Pictorial History and already has some very valuable photographs dating back to the period following the Civil War. Effort is being made to make this history more complete.

Your assistance is solicited. We want your photograph. Photographs of all former members of the 11th Infantry are desired. Also group photographs

and photographs of activities of units of this regiment are desired.

Will be glad to have copies made of any old prints, photographs of views of historical value to the 11th Infantry if owners will lend the originals for a short period.

Any photographs above described should be mailed to the Commanding Officer, 11th Infantry, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

(Further Army News will be found on the First Page, Pages 326, 327, 329, 331, 333-344.)

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SERVICE NEWS AND GOSSIP

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ARMY IN THE PHILIPPINES CONGRATULATES AUSTIN.

THE *Army and Navy Journal* has received the following radio from Manila, P. I., describing the effect of the news of Colonel Fred T. Austin's appointment as Chief of Field Artillery:

"Like a lightning bolt from a clear sky, the appointment of Col. Fred B. Austin, a Junior Colonel in the Field Artillery, as Chief of Field Artillery, to succeed Major Gen. William J. Snow, was flashed over the cables and through the ether to this far distant station. The news quickly spread throughout the Philippine Department and Major Gen. Austin was at once made the recipient of congratulations from his many friends and admirers, both in and out of the Service. The appointment of General Austin to the high post of Chief of Field Artillery is regarded by the Service as recognition of a life dedicated from young manhood, with high ideals and lofty principles, to the service of his country. General Austin, in addition to bringing to the office of Chief of Field Artillery his high ideals and efficiency as a Field Artillery Officer, is wonderfully endowed with a modest spirit so characteristic of those individuals who possess genuine merit and which instills confidence and friendship into the minds and hearts of all with whom he comes in contact. During his tour of duty as Inspector General of the Philippine Department he has given no little personal attention, with the aid of the Air Corps, to the art of flying. He will bring to his new office a fund of first-hand information on the Air Corps and the correlation and coordination which should exist between it and the Field Artillery, which augurs well for the defense plans of the United States. A most successful regime in the office of Chief of Field Artillery is predicted for General Austin during his tour of duty as chief of that branch. The best wishes of the Service are extended to General Austin in his new appointment."

INHERENT FLYING ABILITY EXPLAINED.

SEVERAL students, upon being informed by the Department of Flying, Air Corps Advanced Flying School, that they lacked the necessary inherent flying ability to become a military pilot, asked that a definition be given them so that they could comprehend just what they lacked to pass the flying course at Kelly Field. According to the Air Corps News Letter the following simple and concise definition was offered them by Captain William E. Lynd, Director of Ground School:

"The innate faculty of selective and instinctive discrimination of the stimuli of the sensori-motor apparatus to harmoniously adjust metabolic changes in physiological and psychological equilibrium in such manner as to comprehend and assimilate instruction in the attributes necessary to perform the intricate and complex operations which comprise the piloting of aircraft."

Upon hearing which, the unsuccessful student usually totters from the Faculty Board meeting with a vacuous expression on his features, his cerebral whorls still dizzily looping, but faintly straightening into a channel of thought that the Flying Department is correct and that he does actually lack the inherent flying ability to become a military pilot.

This definition is submitted in order that the flying personnel of the Air Corps may the more readily appreciate that faculty which they possess that makes them aviators.

NULTON TO FINISH TOUR AT NAVAL ACADEMY.

REPORTS that Rear Admiral L. M. Nulton will be relieved as Superintendent of the Naval Academy next February were scouted by Secretary Wilbur, who said that no change would be made before the school year ends. In commenting on the report the Secretary paid a high tribute to the efficient and capable manner in which the Admiral had been discharging his duties, and expressed the wish that it were possible for his tour of duty to be extended.

No official action has been taken as to his successor, though rumor is busy with a number of names and the published statement that Capt. W. H. Standley, now on duty in Operations, was to succeed Admiral Nulton elicited the statement that no decision had been reached. Among the other officers mentioned in this connection are Vice Admiral L. R. deSteiguer, Rear Admiral J. R. P. Pringle, Rear Admiral Philip Andrews and Capt. David F. Sellers.

NATIONAL GUARD NOTES ON TRAINING LAUDED.

WITH the extraordinary results obtained from the innovation of publishing "Notes on National Guard Training" during the past two years, the Militia Bureau has just issued the third annual edition of this valuable little booklet for the instruction and guidance of units of the National Guard.

According to Major General C. C. Hammond, Chief, Militia Bureau, the generally satisfactory manner in which the two previous issues were received and acted upon, especially in the two main essentials—basic training of troops and basic command and staff training—has been most gratifying and, it is believed, has put National Guard training on a plane that clearly justifies the present war plans of the War Department to use the National Guard, after a short period of intensive training, as first line troops.

Much favorable comment has been received by the Militia Bureau anent these "Notes," not alone by commanders of guard units, but from the commanding generals of the several corps areas of the Army and the Hawaiian Department. Extracts from a few of these comments will serve as an illustration of the importance which has been attached to these notes as containing all the information necessary for a common understanding of the Training Directive and its various phases in all units.

Third Corps Area: "The Notes are generally sound and fitted to conditions. Provides for a high standard. Some provisions beyond full accomplishment by States with poor armories and other facilities." Sixth Corps Area: "Basically sound and correct." Seventh Corps Area: " * * * excellent discussion under various heads." Eighth Corps Area: "Notes concise, clear and well calculated to aid National Guard commanders in attaining objective." Ninth Corps Area: "Distinct advance over anything previously published, and liberally interpreted should result in improvement in the National Guard."

CAPTAIN MURFIN HEADS PERSONNEL BOARD.

CAPT. O. G. MURFIN, U. S. N., Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, has been designated senior member of a board created "For the purpose of considering the present 'Report on Fitness of Officers' and submitting such recommendations or suggested changes as may be considered advisable."

The other members of the board are Capt. T. R. Kurtz, Capt. Abram Claude and Capt. J. V. Ogan, with Comdr. R. S. Crenshaw as recorder.

At a preliminary meeting on Dec. 19 a number of questions on procedure were brought for the individual consideration of the members. They included the alternative proposals of whether the present form of report be retained with certain modifications to simplify it and remove the features that have caused objection or it be abandoned and an entirely new form predicated on those in use in the larger business concerns be submitted.

The need for a change seems obvious, the present system giving rise to much criticism, the form of the report necessitating a classification that in numerous instances, it has been charged, was not fair to the officer involved. To simplify and make the report more specific will be the aim of the board.

FIVE REAR ADMIRALS TO RETIRE FOR AGE IN 1928.

DURING the coming year five rear admirals will round out their long and distinguished careers in the Navy and retire on reaching the statutory age limit of 64 years.

The first will be Rear Adm. C. P. Plunkett, now on duty as commandant of the Third Naval District, whose colorful career has made him a picturesque figure in the naval service. Among the outstanding features of his eventful career was his command of the famous railroad batteries in France during the World War. He retires on Feb. 15.

Rear Adm. J. S. McKean will be the next to retire, the date being May 30. During his long service the Admiral, who is now commandant of the Eleventh Naval District, has had a wide range of commands which included the command of the Scouting Fleet, Assistant Chief of Operations and other important posts.

Rear Adm. R. E. Coontz, commandant of the Fifth Naval District, retires on June 11, with an enviable record of accomplishments. His service covers a wide range of activities, culminating in the four-starred flag of commander-in-chief, followed by four years as Chief of Operations in the trying days that followed the World War.

Rear Adm. E. W. Eberle, now at the head of the General Board, has only recently been relieved as Chief of Operations, a post he filled for four years, coming from the command of the fleet. Prior to that he had been head of the Naval Academy and his distinguished services brought him the highest commendation at the time of his recent transfer.

The staff corps Construction and Repair will lose Rear Adm. W. L. Capps, who retires on June 31 with a distinguished record, and Supplies and Accounts, Capt. L. L. Von Wedekind and Capt. A. R. Alfred.

UNNECESSARY REPORTS ON WARRANTS CAUSE COMMENT.

UNNECESSARY EFFICIENCY REPORTS on Warrant Officers are the cause of a communication recently sent from the War Department to various Corps Areas. In its letter the War Department states that only one report annually is desired.

The letter states:

"1. Paragraph 5 b, AR 600-185, contemplates that, except for cogent reasons, only one efficiency report will be rendered each year for warrant officers. This report will be rendered on June 30. It developed that many commanding officers are rendering efficiency reports on warrant officers as is required by paragraph 5 a (1), AR 600-185, for commissioned officers. This is not desired. When the report rendered on June 30th indicates that the warrant officer has not served under the reporting officer long enough for him to render a full and comprehensive report, additional reports will be called for by the War Department if desired.

"2. The report provided for in paragraph 5 b (2) will be rendered only when the services of the warrant officer appears to have been unusual, either through merit or lack thereof."

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Navy Notes

THE Navy has made a contract with the Loening Aeronautical Engineering Corporation, of New York, for 20 Model L-8 airplanes and spare parts at a cost of \$503,003.

The planes will be equipped with 420 horsepower air-cooled motors. The planes will be of the Loening Amphibian type. Engines will be produced by the Pratt and Whitney Motor Corporation, Hartford, Conn.

The Departmental Trophies for Small Arms excellence for the year 1926-27 have been awarded to the U. S. S. Florida, battleship class; U. S. S. Lavalette, cruiser, gunboat and destroyer class; U. S. S. Whitney, auxiliary class.

Rear Adm. J. M. Reeves, U. S. N., commander of the Aircraft Squadrons, Battle Fleet, reported Dec. 20 that a gas explosion occurred on the aircraft carrier Langley at 9:46 a. m. in void space abaft bridge and adjacent to main gasoline storage tanks resulting in death of one man, J. R. Ailsworth, Aviation Chief Carpenter's Mate, of Washington, D. C., and burns to four men.

The injured were: Chief Mach. S. D. Thornton; G. Browning, aviation chief machinist's mate; C. Benson, aviation machinist's mate, 1st class; R. Rockman, seaman, 2nd class.

The following Navy officers have been selected for postgraduate instruction in aerology: Lt. W. W. Lockhart, U. S. N.; Lts. (j.g.) K. Earl, U. S. N.; T. A. Turner, U. S. N., and Ens. H. T. Orville, U. S. N.

The aircraft carrier Saratoga leaves Philadelphia on January 6 for the west coast. She is scheduled to go first to Hampton Roads, leaving there on the 21st and arriving at Newport on the 22nd. She leaves Newport on Feb. 5 for the Canal Zone and is due to arrive at San Pedro Feb. 26.

The 1927 edition of the Boat book of the U. S. Navy has been received from the printer and is being distributed to all ships in accordance with the allowance list given in Bureau of Navigation Manual, paragraph E-5006. The 1920 edition of the Boat book is now obsolete and all copies should be surveyed.

Report of Paymaster General

THE centralized purchase business of the Navy for 1927 amounted to \$54,298,266.74, with 3,524 contracts totalling \$54,137,143.33 and 760 bureau orders totalling \$161,123.41, the report of Rear Adm. Charles Morris, Paymaster General, U. S. Navy, shows. Citing the efforts made by the Bureau to take advantage of "bargains" in the market the report gives as an example the purchase of the year's requirements of cotton textiles in the early part of the year during the depression in the cotton market. With reference to the purchase of provision the report says:

The wholesale cost of foodstuffs has shown a slight decline commencing with July 1, 1926. This, together with increased activity on the part of the commanders-in-chief of the several fleets to eliminate waste and extravagance, has resulted in a decrease in the cost of the ration during the fiscal year from \$0.5397 in the first quarter to \$0.5289 in the fourth quarter. Wholesale food prices showed a slight increase during the month of June, 1927, which, if continued, will cause an increase in the cost of ration during the next fiscal year.

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The Real Navy Spirit

JULIAN B. BLADINELLI of 1915 Amsterdam Ave., New York City, sent the following message to the Department when news of the S-4 disaster was broadcast.

"As a qualified submarine man I volunteer my services without restriction or pay in connection with the S-4. It was my privilege to serve for two years on board the G-4 under command of Commander Callaway who is now trapped aboard the S-4. I ask the opportunity to use the knowledge he gave me in his own behalf."

Navy Supply Corps

BIDS will be opened in the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts on Jan. 3, 1927, for 25,000 raincoats for the enlisted force.

Comdr. J. J. Luchsinger (S. C.), sailed Dec. 17 for Lima, Peru, to serve as a member of the United States Naval Mission to the country. He will relieve Capt. J. N. Jordan (S. C.)

Lt. O. J. Phillips (S. C.), has been ordered to duty as Supply Officer and Island Treasurer at the Naval Station, Tutuila, Samoa.

The following officers of the Supply Corps and pay clerks are under orders to proceed to the Asiatic Station in January as reliefs of officers due for detachment: Lts. Joseph E. Bolt, Golden F. Davis, Ens. Walter W. Honaker, Chief Pay Clk. Carl M. Eysinger, Acting Pay Clks. Arthur D. Guthrie and L. W. Sadd.

Marine Corps Notes

SEVEN Marine Corps Officers have been ordered to report to the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla., not later than January 1, for assignment to the next Naval Aviators Class there. They are Capt. J. B. Neill, 2nd Lts. A. G. Bliesener, R. Fagan, R. L. Griffith, Jr., J. N. Hart, T. J. McQuade, and E. L. Pugh, Jr.

Second Lt. Richard M. Cutts, Jr., winner of the National Individual Rifle Match, at the National Matches at Camp Perry last fall, has been assigned to the First Brigade, Haiti, and will sail from Hampton Roads on the U. S. S. Kittery, about January 2.

Rear Admiral D. F. Sellers, U. S. N., commander of the Special Service Squadron reported to the Department Dec. 20 that the Marine patrol from Somoto was attacked by a larger force of bandits near Maculizo early Dec. 18, and the Marines had to withdraw. Pvt. Bernard F. Calloway was killed in action and his body has not been recovered. Five of the Marine patrol succeeded in reaching Ocotal. The number of casualties among the bandits is not known, though the body of one was found and he was believed to have been a leader.

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Civil Engineer Corps

THE Senate confirmed the nomination of Rear Admiral F. T. Chambers on Dec. 19 as Civil Engineer in the Navy with rank of Rear Admiral, and of Lieutenants W. L. Richards, W. T. Eckberg, R. P. Carlson, W. P. Short, and H. M. Sylvester as Assistant Civil Engineers with the rank of Lieutenant, junior grade.

Contracts have recently been awarded by the Bureau of Yards and Docks for Painting Towers, at the Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for \$1,475; for the extension of shop and storage facilities, at the Naval Operating Base, San Diego, Calif., for \$12,960; for distributing systems, at the Naval Operating Base, San Diego, Calif., for \$41,400; for repairs to hangar, at the Naval Air Station, Washington (Anacostia), D. C., for \$3,681.

The Bureau is actively engaged in the preparation of plans and specifications for the construction of the new fire-proof barracks at the Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va. This is the first of a series of projects to be constructed in accordance with the authorized program of comprehensive improvements at Quantico. Funds for the first part of the program are made available by the First Deficiency Measure which has passed both Houses and is now awaiting the President's signature. The Bureau expects to open bids on three barracks buildings early in March.

U. S. Naval Institute

THE January issue of the Proceedings will contain the following articles:

1. Nanking, March 24, 1927, by Lt. Comdr. R. C. Smith, Jr., U. S. N. 2. A Shorter and Simpler Aquino Process, by Comdr. E. E. Rogers, U. S. N. 3. "Arms and the Man," by Capt. R. Z. Johnston, U. S. N. 4. A Sponsor of the American Navy—Benjamin Franklin, by Constance Lathrop. 5. The Sargasso Sea, by H. A. Marner. 6. Commodore John Downes, Herman F. Kraft.

Navy Surgeon General Reports

ANOTHER low record death rate from diseases was established in the Navy last year, 1.36 per 1,000, according to the annual report of Rear Admiral E. R. Stitt, Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

In this connection the report says:

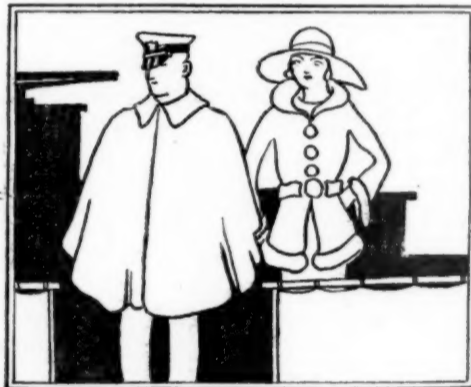
The previous low mark was set in 1925, when the death rate from all forms of disease was 1.53. Year by year hazards likely to result in deaths from accidental injuries have increased, and, everything considered, it is gratifying to note that the death rate from injuries and poisoning, 1.67 per 1,000, was but little greater than the minimum rate of the last decade, 1.58, established in 1922. The death rate from all causes was only 3.03 per 1,000, a lower total mortality rate than any previously experienced by the Navy and Marine Corps. The next lowest rate, 3.23 per 1,000, was recorded in 1922.

Some interesting statistics on "overweight" are shown as follows:

The highest percentage of overweight was noted among the Navy chief warrant and warrant officers, who showed 12.95 per cent in this group. The Chaplain Corps showed the second highest percentage of overweight, having 11.24 per cent, and the Marine warrant officers were third, with 10.96 per cent. The Supply Corps came fourth, with 8.38 per cent. The lowest percentage of overweight was noted among Navy line officers, who showed 3.97 per cent. The second lowest was the Medical Corps, which showed 5.3 per cent.

Chart D shows the percentage of officers in each age group who are overweight. It is interesting to note the increase in overweight with each age group up to the group 50 to 54 years. Considering the entire complement, it was found that 6.21 per cent were overweight. Age group 20 to 24 showed the lowest percentage, with 1.49 per cent, and there was a steady rise up to the age group 50 to 54, who showed 15.63 per cent. From this point on there was a slight decline, the 55 to 59 age group showing 10.92 per cent and the 60 to 64 age group showing 10.01 per cent. This chart well illustrates the tendency to increased weight with advancing years. In all cases where overweight was noted corrective measures were advised by the medical officer.

(Further Navy-U. S. M. C. News will be found on the First Page, Pages 326, 327, 329, 333-344.)



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Bills in Congress

Senate.

664, Mr. Pittman, for the relief of Navy personnel and civilian employees of the Navy who suffered loss of household and personal effects due to the earthquake and fire in Japan in September, 1923.

701, Mr. King, to establish a department of national defense.

723, Mr. Bratton, authorizing the President to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, J. H. Landrum, a 1st lieutenant of Field Artillery in the Regular Army of the United States.

729, Mr. Jones, for the relief of volunteer officers and soldiers who served in the Philippine Islands beyond the period of their enlistment.

751, Mr. Bingham, to provide more effectively for the national defense by authorizing an increase in the number of Service Officers' Training Corps Units for the Air Corps of the U. S. Army.

757, Mr. McLean, declaring the quartermaster's volunteers to be held and considered a part of the U. S. Army in the Civil War and to be classified as quartermaster volunteers, U. S. V.

777, Mr. Tyson, making eligible for retirement, under certain conditions, officers and former officers of the Army of the U. S., other than officers of the Regular Army, who incurred physical disability in line of duty while in the Service of the U. S. during the World War.

801, Mr. Copeland, to place Dr. C. H. De Lancey on the retired list of the Navy as a Lt. Commander.

852, Mr. McKellar, to credit all commissioned service in the Army, regular, provisional or temporary forces, except service under Res. Commission while attending school for training of candidates for commission.

853, Mr. McKellar, to equalize the promotion list of the Regular Army.

857, Mr. McKellar, authorizing the President of the U. S. to appoint Sgt. A. C. York as a captain in the U. S. Army and to place him on the retired list.

858, Mr. McKellar, reappointing E. C. Campbell as pay clerk in the Q. M. C., U. S. A., with rank of 2d lieutenant.

1167, Mr. Goff, granting military status to field clerks, Signal Service at Large, A. E. F.

1281, Mr. Capper, to provide operators' permits free of cost to enlisted men of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps and Coast Guard operating Government owned vehicles in the District of Columbia.

1289, Mr. Capper, to authorize the President, in event of war, to draft into the military service such members of the unorganized militia as he may deem necessary.

1342, Mr. Oddie, to authorize certain officers of the U. S. Navy to accept from the Republic of Peru decoration and diploma of the Order of the Sun, and from the Republic of Ecuador the decoration and diploma of the Estralla Abdon Calderon.

1376, Mr. Swanson, for the relief of C. E. Barnes, late an ensign in the Naval Reserve Force.

1377, Mr. Swanson, for the relief of Lt. R. S. Robertson, jr., U. S. N.

1379, for the relief of certain officers of the Navy and Marine Corps called into active service in the World War from April 17, 1917, to Nov. 12, 1918.

1382, Mr. Swanson, making eligible for retirement under the same conditions as now provided for officers of the Regular Naval Service Lt. Comdr. W. A. Hamilton, an officer of the U. S. Naval Reserve Force during the World War, who incurred physical disability in line of duty.

1386, Mr. Swanson, to recognize the military war service of adjutant generals and U. S. property and disbursing officers as Federal military war duty during the war period.

1594, Mr. Thomas, for the relief of Capt. J. W. Loef.

1605, Mr. Jones, to conform the hours of labor and rate of wages of navy yard employees as nearly as consistent with public interest to those of private establishments.

1608, Mr. Jones, authorizing and directing the discontinuance of the transport service of the Army and Navy.

1609, Mr. Jones, recognizing the heroic conduct, devotion to duty, and skill on the part of the officers and crews of the U. S. S. Republic, American Trader, President Harding, and the British steamship Cameronia.

1632, Mr. Tydings, authorizing the President to order Maj. E. P. Duval before a retiring board for a hearing of his case, and upon the findings of such board determine whether or not he be placed on the retired list with the rank and pay held by him at the time of his resignation.

1656, Mr. Dill, to authorize an additional appropriation for Ft. McHenry, Md.

1663, Mr. Shortridge, authorizing the award of campaign insignia to war correspondents and war artists.

1676, Mr. Walsh, to authorize the appointment of 1st Lt. C. E. Burt, retired, to the grade of major, retired, in the U. S. Army.

1680, Mr. Oddie, to authorize Capt. C. St. J. Butler, M. C., U. S. N., to accept a decoration conferred upon him by the Republic of Haiti.

1717, Mr. Tyson, to amend the retirement laws affecting certain grades of Army officers.

1739, Mr. Howell, to authorize credit in the disbursing accounts of certain officers of the Army, and for the settlement of individual claims approved by the War Department.

1745, Mr. Thomas, authorizing the Secretary of War to sell a portion of land at Ft. Sill Military Reservation, Okla., and to acquire necessary additional land at said reservation.

1770, Mr. Harrison, for the relief of certain officers of the Coast Guard.

1776, Mr. Kellar, relative to retired pay of Rear Adm. J. K. Robinson.

1822, Mr. Reed, to authorize the Secretary of War to transfer or loan aeronautical equipment to museums and educational institutions.

1825, Mr. Reed, to authorize an allowance of 3 cents per mile, in lieu of transportation in kind, for certain persons using privately owned conveyances while traveling under competent orders.

1826, Mr. Reed, to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of six months' pay to the widow, children, or other designated dependent relative of any officer or enlisted man of the Regular Army whose death results from wounds or disease not the result of his own misconduct," approved Dec. 17, 1919, so as to include nurses of the Regular Army.

1828, Mr. Reed, to authorize the names of certain graduates of the general service and of the Army War College, not at present eligible for selection to the General Staff Corps eligible list, to be added to that list.

1829, Mr. Reed, to authorize the collection in monthly installments of indebtedness due the United States from enlisted men.

1830, Mr. Reed, to authorize the Secretary of War to withhold the pay or allowance of any person in the military service to cover indebtedness due the United States or its military agencies or instrumentalities.

1831, Mr. Reed, to authorize the Secretaries of War and Navy to class as secret certain material.

1832, Mr. Reed, to facilitate procurement of military supplies.

1833, Mr. Reed, to authorize the Secretary of War to exchange deteriorated and unserviceable ammunition and components.

1834, Mr. Reed, to authorize employment of additional civilian caretakers for National Guard organization, under certain circumstances, in lieu of enlisted caretakers heretofore authorized.

1836, Mr. Reed, to amend the National Defense Act so as to authorize an allowance of 1 cent a mile for subsistence of candidates in going to and returning from camp.

1838, Mr. Reed, to amend the National Defense Act by repealing and striking therefrom certain provisions prescribing additional qualifications for National Guard State Staff officers.

1839, Mr. Reed, to authorize persons connected with the military forces of the United States to accept decorations and gifts from foreign countries.

1840, Mr. Reed, to authorize employment of hostesses for temporary duty at C. M. T. Camps.

1880, Mr. Brookhart, granting increase of pension to soldiers, sailors and marines of the war with Spain, the Philippine Insurrection, and the China Relief Expedition, and to widows, children, and dependent relatives of such soldiers, sailors and marines, granting pensions to World War veterans.

1894, Mr. Reed, to increase the efficiency of the Army.

1924, Mr. Tyson, granting a pension to C. H. Sills, late of Hospital Corps, U. S. Army.

1927, Mr. Tyson, for the relief of Capt. G. R. Armstrong, U. S. A., retired.

1929, Mr. Tyson, providing for the promotion of certain noncommissioned officers of the Regular Army.

House.

64, Mr. Celler, to authorize the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to furnish a firing squad to fire the customary salute for any ex-service man.

136, Mr. Fitzgerald, to relieve persons in the military and naval services of the U. S. during the war emergency period from claim a for overpayment at that time not involving fraud.

5528, Mr. Darrow, to enable electricians, radioelectricians, chief electricians, and chief radioelectricians to be appointed to the grade of ensign.

5529, Mr. Darrow, to equalize the pay of certain officers of the Marine Corps with that of officers with corresponding service in the Navy.

5531, Mr. Drewry, to amend the provision in the act approved Aug. 29, 1916, relating to the assignment to duty of certain officers of the U. S. Navy as fleet and squadron engineers.

5591, Mr. Johnson, for the relief of certain members of the Navy and Marine Corps who were discharged because of misrepresentation of age.

5598, Mr. Liguardia, for the purposes of protecting officers of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps who are called by committees of the House and Senate to testify concerning matters before such committees.

5605, Mr. McClintic, to facilitate awards of contracts for the purchase of motor vehicles for the Naval establishment.

5606, Mr. McClintic, relating to contracts entered into by the U. S. Navy.

5658, Mr. Reece, allowing the rank, pay and allowances of a colonel, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, to the medical officer now assigned to duty as personal physician to the President.

5713, Mr. Updike, to permit certain warrant officers to count all active service rendered under temporary appointments as warrant or commissioned officers in the Regular Army, or as warrant or commissioned officers in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force, for purposes of promotion to chief warrant rank.

5756, Mr. Wurzbach, providing for the appointment of certain Civil Service clerks, warrant officers, U. S. Army.

5814, Mr. Leblach, to equalize retired pay of Army officers who were over 45 years of age when originally appointed.

6480, Mr. James, to authorize appropriations for construction of military posts.

6841, Mr. James, to authorize construction of utilities for the storage of explosive ammunition at Fort Shafter, Hawaii.

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Congressional Notes

TWO BILLS to equalize the base pay of enlisted men of the Army and Navy have been introduced by Mr. Wurzbach, of Texas. The first provides that base pay for enlisted men of the Army in the fourth grade shall be \$60 per month and the second provides a base pay of \$54 per month for those of the fifth grade.

A bill for the establishment of a Regular Army Reserve, which authorizes the transfer of enlisted men of the Army to such Reserve after 20 years of service, has been introduced by Mr. McSwain, of South Carolina. This proposed legislation also provides that such transferred men shall receive one-half of their active duty pay at time of transfer. Upon the completion of 30 years' service, including service in the Regular Army Reserve, such men may be placed upon the retired list with 75 per cent of the pay received on active duty and a cash allowance of \$15.75 per month in addition.

The House Appropriations Committee has arranged a tentative schedule whereby it is hoped that the service appropriations bills may be reported to House by the following dates: War Department Appropriations Bill, hearings on which commenced Monday, December 12, should be reported out by January 30, 1928; Navy Department Appropriations Bill, hearings on which are scheduled to commence February 13, 1928, should be reported to the House by March 15, 1928.

In order to equalize longevity pay of enlisted men in the Army and Navy, Mr. McSwain, of South Carolina, introduced a bill providing that hereafter enlisted men of the Regular Army shall receive, as a permanent addition to their pay, an increase of 10 per cent of their base pay upon completion of the first four years of enlisted service and an additional increase of 5 per cent for each four years of service thereafter, the total not to exceed 25 per cent.

Chairman Butler, of the House Committee on Naval Affairs, has introduced a bill authorizing the appropriation of \$34,870,000 for the modernization of the battleships Pennsylvania, Arizona, New Mexico, Mississippi and Idaho, provided that such alterations shall be subject to the limitations prescribed in the treaty limiting naval armaments, ratified Aug. 17, 1923.

Twenty-five year retirement for the enlisted personnel of the Regular Army has been taken up by Mr. Hooper, of Michigan, who has introduced a bill to amend all existing laws, statutes, and regulations bearing upon retirement so as to provide that when an enlisted man of the Army shall have completed 25 years of service, computing as double time all foreign service credited prior to Aug. 24, 1912, in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or in all, he shall upon making application to the President be placed upon the retired list with the pay and allowances and such other benefits as are now provided by law for retirement of enlisted men of the Army after 30 years.

The bill also includes a provision retiring those enlisted men who held temporary commissions during the World War with the pay and allowances of warrant officers.

Senator Tyson has introduced a bill providing for the promotion to the permanent grade of master sergeants all sergeants of the Army who were temporarily commissioned officers at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918.

Calling attention to the provisions of the National Defense Act which authorize a National Guard of approximately 500,000 officers and men, the Michigan State Chapter of the Reserve Officers' Association of the United States has adopted a resolution whereby they will lend all possible support to the National Guard Association in its request to the Congress to increase appropriations so as to provide a National Guard of at least 250,000 officers and men.

The Secretary of War has submitted to Congress a draft of a bill to amend the National Defense Act so as to authorize employment of hostesses for temporary duty at Citizens' Military Training Camps. The passage of such legis-

lation would authorize the Secretary of War to employ hostesses for temporary duty at the summer camps for the welfare of the trainees.

CADETS HEAR MAJ. WOODMAN.

New York (Special).—The members of the New York University Reserve Officers' Training Corps were addressed by Maj. Edmund Woodman, M. I. Res., Professor of Geology at the University, Dec. 16, on the subject, "Unrest in the East." Dr. Woodman gave a most interesting discussion of the political and military situation in the East. His talk was enthusiastically received. Dr. Woodman has spent much time in the East and has only just returned from a year abroad. This talk is one of a series of several arranged by Col. R. C. Langdon, the Professor of Military Science and Tactics at New York University.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1927.

Men die, but sorrow never dies.—SUSAN COOLIDGE.

ONCE AGAIN, FATE has dealt a heavy blow to the Navy. The sinking of the S-4, with its tragic consequences, and the lesser accident aboard the Langley, have brought home to the American people the danger involved in service life. Under ordinary circumstances, the S-4 would have risen to the surface and placidly proceeded to the completion of the test. But it so happened that a cruising Coast Guard destroyer, formerly in the Naval Service was at the identical spot chosen for the ascent of the submarine. Again, to show the submarine's officers and crew were the cruel sport of Fate, a gale sprang up and in spite of superhuman effort prevented the rescue of the imprisoned seamen.

The country has followed with the deepest interest the efforts to reach and raise the submarine. It has manifested more than sympathy, it has manifested its concern at the suffering through which some of the crew passed before death mercifully released them, and its earnest desire that measures be taken to minimize the possibility of like occurrences. The S-51 was run down in Long Island Sound, and its officers and men dashed into eternity. The S-4 likewise was the victim of a collision, but this time apparently unavoidable. From the evidence at hand the Coast Guard vessel can not be criticised; in pursuance of its duty it was proceeding on the course which was deceptively clear.

It is impossible to do anything for those whose bodies lie within the hull of the S-4. But surely, something can be done for the loved ones left behind. The danger of the Service justifies a higher degree of pension, and we are hopeful this aspect will receive the consideration of the Congress.

WHY NOT TAKE President Coolidge at his word? He presented a substantial building program to the Congress with a strong recommendation for its enactment. He explained the reasons for its approval. And yet, there are members of the two Houses who claim he did not mean what he said, that his message statement was in fact a "bluff," and that it would be inadvisable to authorize construction and expenditures that would never be carried out.

Those who know the President know that when he says a thing he means it. He announced last August that he "did not choose to run" for re-election. That his decision was fixed is shown by the statement he made to the Republican National Committee. But we still have politicians, who do not want to commit themselves to this or that candidate declaring their purpose to draft Mr. Coolidge. Of course, if they attempt this procedure, the President will repudiate them and advise the Convention that he will not accept the nomination. In other words, his decision in this as in other matters is unalterable.

So with the building program for the Navy. In accordance with his constitutional authority, he advised the Congress of his views as to the country's needs. He has not changed those views and will not do so. He knows the foreign situation; he knows the propaganda which is steadily directed against proper and adequate American defense. He believes the American people stand with him in his determination to provide a force which will be based not upon rivalry with foreign governments but upon our own necessities. He has described those necessities, and if Congress fails to meet them theirs will be the responsibility before the people.

CONGRESSMAN W. FRANK JAMES has introduced a bill providing for the promotion of Herbert M. Lord, Director of the Budget to the grade of Major General on the retired list. General Lord now holds the rank of Brigadier General retired, but he is not drawing the pay of that office because of his receipt of a salary as Budget Director. But the time will come when General Lord will leave the Budget Bureau and revert to his retired status. Mr. James believes that General Lord, in effect, has been continuing his career as an officer of the Army since he is still serving the Government but in a different capacity. It is impossible to forecast the final disposition of the bill, but General Lord has many friends, and we would not be surprised at favorable action.

THERE IS APPARENTLY a movement in England to decri the value of Cavalry in time of war. From time to time, some official or officer is quoted as saying there is not the need for this branch which existed before the motor came into use. It may well be that the special conditions in the "tight little isle" minimize the importance of mounted troops, but we entertain a different view. Particularly in the United States is Cavalry essential. Proof of this fact was furnished in the illuminating article which we published in one of our issues last March. The greatest characteristic of Cavalry is its mobility, which permits it to be used in extended order formation over any terrain, to strike at the flank or rear of the enemy, to serve as a mobile reserve to be thrown dismounted into a gap in the line or to pursue a beaten foe. It has many other valuable qualities, and a little study by those who advocate the replacement of this arm by mechanical means will cause them to reach the conclusion:

"We predict that the Army which deprives itself of Cavalry in the false belief that mechanical apparatus affords a substitute for this indispensable arm, will find itself at a tremendous disadvantage against an enemy which has had the foresight to retain in adequate strength its mounted forces."

THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL does not regard adopted children as upon an equality with children born in wedlock. He has handed down his view as a decision in disapproving the dependent allowance claim of Ens. Willis Henry Pickton, who had adopted his 14-year-old brother. It has always been accepted that a child legally adopted has the same status as any other children of a marriage, but Mr. McCarl finds, through a method of tortuous reasoning, that this is not correct from an accounting point of view. The decision is so monstrous, so capable of affecting the situation and destiny of adopted children not only in the Services but among the Reserves and in civil life that we believe the courts will promptly overrule it. If the theory upon which it is based is maintained, then legal adoption is a fiction and the sooner this is known generally the better for the peace and happiness of countless numbers of children and of those who believe they legally are their parents.

SERVICE HUMOR NOT PARTICULAR!

A. R. O.: "What branch of the Service do you prefer?"

Rastus Johnson: "Ah thinks ah'd lak ter fly."

A. R. O.: "Only officers can fly."

Rastus: "Dat's all right, boss; I has no objections ter bein' a officer."

WAS THEY?

"Is dem aigs fresh?" asked Mandy, the Captain's maid, of her dusky grocer, pointing to a basket of hen fruit.

"Ah ain't sayin' dey ain't," answered the grocer.

"Ah isn't askin' yo' is dey ain't," retorted Mandy, heatedly, "Ah is askin' is dey is."

DISCRETION.

At a recent wedding the bride's brothers, two soldiers, a policeman, and a sailor, were all present. The bridegroom went quietly, I understand.

—Passing Show.

FOUR LITERARY HORSEMEN.

Paul Revere, Prince of Wales, Jesse James and Barney Google.

THE POST SCHOOL.

Teacher: "Tommy, what is a synonym?"

Tommy: "A synonym is a word you use when you can't spell the other one."

MODEST.

Two little daughters of British officers made friends while playing on the seashore.

Said Number One to Number Two: "Where do you live?"

"In London," replied Number Two.

"London?" replied Number One, suitably impressed. "That's where the King and Queen live, isn't it?"

"Yes," replied Number Two, and then with becoming modesty she added, "but not in our street."

ARMY JUNIORS.

"Now, tell me what is the opposite of misery."

"Happiness!" said the class in unison.

"And sadness?" she asked.

"Gladness."

"And the opposite of woe?"

"Giddap!" shouted the enthusiastic class.

PLEBE DEFINITIONS.

Mountain range—A large cook stove.

Oxygen—An eight-sided figure.

Dispel—To spell incorrectly.

Frontispiece—A headlight on a Ford.

Furlough—A fur-bearing animal.

Monomaniac—A man with only one wife.

Tonsorial parlors—Where you go to have your tonsils out.

Joan of Arc—One of Noah's daughters.

Don't Be Misled!

MRS. FIXIT of Oshkosh has just telegraphed us that if skirts get much shorter they will have to be called shirks for they will be utterly failing in their duty to the innocent bystander. Take this as a reminder not to shirk your duty to the human race by neglecting to do your bit toward the laughter of the world nor skirt the path leading to the desk of the Humor Editor.

WHEN YOU ARE TRANSFERRED

ASK the Journal about living conditions, etc., at the Post to which you have been directed to proceed.

All questions will be answered by Capt. Charles J. Sullivan, 26th Infantry, U. S. A., author of "Army Posts and Towns," who has made a thorough study of conditions and facilities at all Army Posts.

C. H. H.: Fort Bliss, Texas, is near El Paso. There is street car service from post downtown every five minutes, 6 cent fare, and bus service every 30 minutes with 15 cent fare. A private car is not a necessity, but a convenience. Children are sent to specified schools in El Paso. There are fairly good Mexican servants available at about 40 per month. The nearest civilian market is in the Alta Vista district of El Paso, about two miles from post. El Paso has an excellent shopping district. There is a post commissary, supplemented by a post exchange, which carries a good line of fruits, meats, etc. There are 95 concrete and brick sets for married officers, all completely modernized. Bachelors (field officers) are usually quartered in groups of three in a married set, others are assigned to two or three-room suites in the brick and frame sets. Fifteen frame, temporary buildings have been converted into livable quarters for warrant officers. These are heated by stoves. There are 141 old brick and frame sets, heated by stoves, which are used for married N. C. O.'s. All roads in vicinity are paved. There is a municipal golf course adjacent to the post and the El Paso County Club offers membership to officers. Many officers on commutation status rent quarters in El Paso. Other sports: Polo, tennis, hunting and fishing. The climate is high, dry and somewhat variable during winter months. Four seasons: Wool in winter; cotton in summer. There is a Post Chaplain and all denominations in El Paso.

ASK THE JOURNAL

ALL questions on which our readers desire information will be answered as soon as possible after receipt in this column. If there is any query you have in mind, send it to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR. It will save you time and trouble. Avail yourselves of this "Service to the Services."

H. G. T.: The usual procedure of obtaining legislation pertaining to records of commissioned or enlisted personnel, now in civil life or deceased, is either to apply direct to the Adjutant General's Office, War Department, or through your Congressman, who will refer the matter to the War Department for comment.

IN THE JOURNAL 60 YEARS AGO

COMMODORE JAMES ALDEN, commanding the U. S. S. Minneapolis, reported his arrival at Funchal, Madiera, after having been delayed four days at Tangier by bad weather.

Brevet Colonel Elmer Otis, major First U. S. Cavalry, was ordered to proceed to Camp McDermitt, Nev., and relieve Brevet Colonel A. G. Brackett, major First U. S. Cavalry, in command of the District of Nevada.

The U. S. S. Shawmut was being daily expected at St. Thomas from Aspinwall, she having been relieved by the gunboat Marblehead.

War Dept.
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OFFICIAL ORDERS

Navy Dept.
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WAR DEPARTMENT

GENERAL OFFICERS

The appointment of Brig. Gen. T. Q. Donaldson, U. S. A., as maj. gen., from Dec. 11, 1927, is announced. (Dec. 20.)

Maj. Gen. T. Q. Donaldson, U. S. A., from command of the 13th Brigade, Washington, D. C. assigned to command 2d Division, Fort Sam Houston, Tex. (Dec. 20.)

Brig. Gen. H. O. Williams, U. S. A., from command of 8th Brigade, Fort McPherson, Ga., assigned to command 16th Brigade, Washington, D. C. (Dec. 20.)

GENERAL STAFF CORPS

MAJ. GEN. C. P. SUMMERALL, C. OF S. Lt. Col. J. C. Pegram (Cav.) from detail as member of G. S. C., with W. D. G. S., from duties in office of Chief of Staff, Washington, D. C., May 2, to San Francisco, Calif., and sail June 8 for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 17.)

Lt. Col. Daniel Van Voorhis (Cav.) from detail as member of G. S. C., with W. D. G. S., from duties in office of Chief of Staff, Washington, D. C., June 30, to Fort Myer, Va., for temp. duty. (Dec. 17.)

JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S DEPT.

MAJ. GEN. JOHN A. HULL, THE J. A. G. Capt. Henry Harmeling from duty in office of Chief of Militia Bureau, Washington, D. C., is assigned to 3d Division, and will proceed to New York and sail Jan. 31 for San Francisco, Calif., thence to Fort Lewis, Wash., for duty at hqrs., 3d Div. (Dec. 20.)

QUARTERMASTER CORPS

MAJ. GEN. B. F. CHEATHAM, THE Q. M. G. Capt. H. W. Hardman from duty at Fort Monmouth, N. J., Jan. 4, to Washington, D. C., for duty in office of the Q. M. G. (Dec. 17.)

Capt. L. C. Baird from duty at Philadelphia q. m. depot, Pa., Jan. 8, to Fort Monmouth, N. J., for duty as q. m. (Dec. 17.)

1st Lt. A. A. Jackson from duty at Jeffersonville q. m. depot, Ind., Jan. 16, to Fort Omaha, Neb., for duty at hqrs., 7th Corps Area. (Dec. 17.)

1st Lt. W. W. Moore from duty at Camp Devens, Mass., assigned to 1st Div., Brooklyn, N. Y., for duty at New York gen. depot. (Dec. 21.)

1st Lt. J. A. Hunt from duty at Mitchell Field, N. Y., to Fort Jay, N. Y., for duty as asst. to q. m. (Dec. 21.)

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

MAJ. GEN. M. W. IRELAND, S. G.

Medical Corps

1st Lt. W. R. Craig from duty at William Beaumont Hosp., El Paso, Tex., to San Francisco, Calif., and sail April 24, for New York, thence to Washington, D. C., for duty at Walter Reed Hosp. (Dec. 17.)

Medical Administrative Corps

Capt. M. McC. Dougherty from duty at William Beaumont Hosp., El Paso, Tex., from add. duty at Fort Bliss, Tex., Jan. 5, to Fort Hayes, Ohio, for duty at hqrs., 5th Corps Area. (Dec. 20.)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

MAJ. GEN. K. W. WALKER, C. OF F. Capt. C. R. Fouts detailed property auditor for Porto Rico in addition to other duties. (Dec. 17.)

CORPS OF ENGINEERS

MAJ. GEN. EDGAR JADWIN, C. OF E. Lt. Col. Wilder Willing assigned to 13th Engrs., Fort Humphreys, Va., instead of to duty as dist. engr., Philadelphia, Pa., on completing foreign service. Lt. Col. Willing, on expiration of present leave, will proceed to join station assigned. (Dec. 19.)

Capt. R. D. Ingalls from duty with 2d Engrs., Fort Logan, Colo., May 1, to Duluth, Minn., for duty. (Dec. 19.)

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT

MAJ. GEN. C. C. WILLIAMS, C. OF O. Maj. Gen. G. P. Wilhelm, O. D., from hqrs., 8th Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Tex., to San Francisco, Calif., and sail June 8 for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 20.)

CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE

MAJ. GEN. A. A. FRIES, C. OF C. W. S. 1st Lt. J. F. Smith from duty with 5th C. W. S. procurement dist., San Francisco, Calif., to sail from that port, Jan. 6, for New York, thence to Washington, D. C., for duty in office of Chief of C. W. S. (Dec. 17.)

1st Lt. G. A. MacKay from duty with O. R., 9th Corps Area, and assume duties of executive off., 5th C. W. S. procurement dist., San Francisco, Calif. (Dec. 17.)

CHAPLAINS

CHAPLAIN JOHN T. AXTON, C. OF C. Chaplain B. J. Tarskey, U. S. A., to sail from New York, June 30, for Canal Zone, instead of April 6. (Dec. 19.)

CAVALRY

MAJ. GEN. H. B. CROSBY, C. OF CAV. Col. A. E. Williams, Atlanta, Ga., to home and await retirement. (Dec. 16.)

Col. M. C. Smith to sail from New York for Canal Zone, April 6, instead of Jan. 31. (Dec. 17.)

Lt. Col. L. S. Carson is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto and will proceed home. (Dec. 19.)

Col. W. L. Luhn from duty with 66th Cav. Div., Omaha, Neb., from detail with O. R., 7th Corps Area, assigned to 4th Cav., and on completing temp. duty at Fort Riley,

Status of Promotions in Service

NAVY PROMOTION STATUS.

December 22, 1927.

Rear Adm. W. H. Standley, Capt. W. O. Spears, Comdr. E. L. Gunther, Lt. Comdr. S. G. Mayfield, Lt. R. D. Edwards, Lt. (j. g.) R. E. Mills.

Medical Corps.

Rear Adm. C. H. T. Lowndes, Capt. R. Hayden, Comdr. J. B. Helm, Lt. Comdr. J. E. Andrews, Lt. C. M. Dumbauld.

Dental Corps.

Comdr. C. H. Mack, Lt. Comdr. F. J. Long, Lt. J. M. Thompson, jr.

Supply Corps.

Rear Adm. T. H. Hicks, Capt. E. G. Morrell, Comdr. H. C. Gwynne, Lt. Comdr. C. R. Murray, Lt. E. T. Stewart, jr., Lt. (j. g.) W. L. Patten.

Chaplain Corps.

Capt. E. A. Duff, Comdr. T. L. Kirkpatrick, Lt. Comdr. W. L. Thompson, Lt. E. G. Hangen, Lt. (j. g.) (Act. Chap.) H. L. Hermann.

Construction Corps.

Rear Adm. G. H. Rock, Capt. W. P. Druley, Comdr. F. G. Crisp, Lt. Comdr. T. P. Wynkoop, Lt. L. Kaplan.

Civil Engineer Corps.

Rear Adm. F. T. Chambers, Capt. F. H. Cooke, Comdr. G. Church, Lt. Comdr. H. S. Bear, Lt. J. A. Wise.

U. S. M. C. PROMOTION STATUS.

December 22, 1927.

Will make number in grade indicated on last Commissioned. next vacancy

Col. W. H. Pritchett. Col. R. Y. Rhea.

Lt. Col. H. F. Wirgman. Lt. Col. J. A. Russell.

Maj. M. H. Kingman. Maj. A. DeCarre.

Capt. H. M. H. Fleming. Capt. M. A. Edson.

1st Lt. E. F. Carlson. 1st Lt. M. S. Swanson.

CORPS AREAS

SECOND CORPS AREA

Headquarters, Governors Island, N. Y.

MAJ. GEN. H. E. ELY.

Col. Berkeley Enoch, Chief of Staff.

Leaves: Two months, 12 days, Dec. 23, to 2d Lt. F. A. Mitchell, 62d C. A. One month, 8 days, Jan. 19, to 2d Lt. H. K. Vail, 28th Inf. Three months, Jan. 10, to Wrnt. Offr. P. A. Bush, U. S. A., with permission to leave United States.

One month, 13 days, Jan. 2, 1928, to Capt. H. C. Zimmermann, G. M. C. One month, 7 days, Dec. 23, to 2nd Lt. F. X. A. Purcell, C. E.

Kans., will proceed to Fort Meade, S. Dak., and join regt. to which assigned. (Dec. 21.)

FIELD ARTILLERY

LT. COL. A. F. BREWSTER, ACT. CHIEF

Capt. Z. N. Estes is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto. (Dec. 16.)

Maj. Gen. W. J. Snow, Chief of Field Artillery, is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto, and will proceed home (Dec. 19.)

Lt. Col. H. C. Williams, having been examined for promotion and found physically disqualified for duties of a colonel of F. A., on account of disability incident to the service, he retired from active service as a colonel from Dec. 14, the date he would have been promoted, is announced, and he will proceed home. (Dec. 19.)

Maj. Dean Hudnutt, 1st F. A., Fort Sill, Okla., from present duties to San Francisco, Calif., and sail June 8, for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 20.)

Col. T. E. Merrill from Fort Bragg, N. C., to New York, and sail May 16, from New York for Hawaii for duty. (Dec. 20.)

Col. T. E. Merrill relieved from such duty as he may be performing, June 30, and is then detailed as a member of the G. S. C. with troops, for duty as Chief of Staff, Hawaiian Division. (Dec. 20.)

1st Lt. R. D. Spruill, now at Letterman Hosp., Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., to Army retiring board, hqrs., 9th Corps Area, for examination. (Dec. 21.)

COAST ARTILLERY CORPS

MAJ. GEN. A. HERO, JR., C. OF C. A. C. 1st Lt. W. L. Weible, 61st C. A., from Fort Monroe, Va., assigned to 6th C. A. harbor defenses of San Francisco, and will proceed to New York, and sail Jan. 31, for San Francisco, for duty assigned. (Dec. 16.)

Col. F. K. Fergusson, 11th C. A., from Fort H. G. Wright, N. Y., detailed for duty with O. R., 2d Corps Area, with C. A. Res., 2d C. A. dist., New York City. (Dec. 19.)

Capt. Walter Hart, 5th C. A., from Fort Wadsworth, N. Y., to New York and sail, May 16, for Philippines duty. (Dec. 19.)

Lt. Col. J. D. Watson, C. A. C., on his own application, retired from active service, after more than 32 years' service, and will proceed home. (Dec. 21.)

INFANTRY

MAJ. GEN. R. H. ALLEN, C. OF INF.

Maj. D. D. Eisenhower from duty as stu., Army War College, Washington, D. C., on completing course, to chairman, American Battle Monuments Commission, Washington, D. C., for duty. (Dec. 16.)

2d Lt. R. McK. Smith assigned to 11th Inf., Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., on com-

ARMY PROMOTION STATUS.

Promotions and Vacancies on Promotion List (Cumulative) since Dec. 16, 1927.

Last promotion to the grade of Colonel: Robert Whitfield, A. G. D., No. 25 on page 148; July, A. L. and Directory.

Last nomination to the grade of Colonel: Robert Whitfield, A. G. D.

(Lt. Col. Harry C. Williams, F. A., retired from active service.)

Vacancies: Three. Officers entitled: Albert U. Faulkner, Frank S. Long, C. A. C., Samuel G. Shartle, C. A. C.

Senior Lt. Col. if vacancies were filled: Arthur W. Brown, J. A. G. D.

Last promotion to the grade of Lt. Col.: Charles B. Amory, jr., Cav.; No. 614 on page 150.

Last nomination to the grade of Lt. Col.: Walter Goodwin, jr., Cav.

Vacancies: Seven. Officers entitled: Philip B. Peyton, Inf.; Karl Truesdell, Inf.; Mark L. Ireland, Q. M. C.; Charles A. Dravo, Inf.; Charles R. Pettis, C. E.; Wm. D. A. Anderson, C. E.; Ralph T. Ward, C. E.

Senior Major if vacancies were filled: John J. Kingman, C. E.

Last promotion to the grade of Major: George W. Teachout, Inf.; No. 2355 on page 156.

Last nomination: Winchell I. Razor, Sig. C.

Vacancies: Nine. Officers entitled: Oliver I. Holman, Cav.; Fred'k W. Huntington, Inf.; Howard J. Houghland, A. C.; John J. Bohn, Cav.; Roland R. Long, Inf.; Chas. B. Oldfield, A. C.; Carl J. Smith, C. A. C.; Charles J. Allen, Inf.; John L. Dunn, Inf.

Senior Captain if vacancies were filled: James G. Monihan, Cav.

Last promotion to the grade of Captain: Walter C. Thee, Q. M. C.; No. 5625 on page 168.

Last nomination: Carleton Burgess, Cav.

Vacancies: 12. Officers entitled: Arthur E. Fox, F. A.; Carleton Smith, Inf.; Paul C. Crippen, Sig. C.; LeCount H. Slocum, F. A.; Edwin F. Barry, Ord.; Frederick H. Black, F. A.; Josef R. Sheetz, F. A.; Charles P. Cullen, Inf.; Frederick A. Metcalf, F. A.; Harry E. Storms, Sig. C.; David D. Barrett, Inf.; Lawrence J. Meyns, Ord.

Senior 1st Lt. if vacancies were filled: Thomas H. Ramsey, Inf.

Last promotion to the grade of 1st Lt.: Harold D. Kehm, F. A.; No. 8540 on page 178.

Last nomination: William J. D'Espinoza, F. A.

Vacancies: 13. Officers entitled: Will W. White, A. C.; Wm. J. Morton, jr.; Sig. C.; Wilbur R. Pierce, F. A.; Donald H. Galloway, Cav.; Howard W. Serig, Sig. C.; Daniel DeBardeleben, Cav.; Patrick W. Timberlake, F. A.; Clyde K. Rich, A. C.; Paul W. Wolf, A. C.; David Larr, F. A.; Lawrence C. Craigie, A. C.; Philip R. Dwyer, Inf.; Sylvester J. Keane, Sig. C.

Senior 2nd Lt. if vacancies were filled: Allen L. Keyes, F. A.

Vacancies in grade of 2nd Lt.: 145.

NATIONAL GUARD

PENNSYLVANIA.

Federal recognition is extended by the Militia Bureau to officers as follows:

Capt. F. S. Gillespie, 28th Med. Dept. Detach., 103d Obs. Squad, 28th Div. A. C., to date from Aug. 12, 1927.

Capt. R. H. Iland; M. A. C., Serv. Co., 103d Med. Regt., to date from Aug. 9, 1927.

Capt. W. Hope, M. A. C., 107th Amb. Co., 103d Med. Regt., to date from Aug. 2, 1927.

Capt. J. J. Bingham, Chaplain, Hqrs., 108th F. A., to date from July 7, 1927.

First Lt. W. A. Frantz, Q. C., State Staff Corps and Departments, to date from July 7, 1927.

pleting foreign service in Hawaii. (Dec. 16.)

1st Lt. W. B. Kean, jr., from duties in connection with recruiting, Washington, D. C., to Brig. Gen. O. B. Rosenbaum, U. S. A., for duty. (Dec. 16.)

Lt. Col. E. J. Moran assigned to 28th Inf., stationed at Fort Ontario, N. Y., instead of Fort Niagara, N. Y. (Dec. 16.)

Capt. Charles Lewis from duties in connection with recruiting, Oklahoma City, Okla., on arrival of Capt. H. K. White, Inf., will proceed to San Antonio, Tex., for duty in connection with recruiting, 8th Corps Area. (Dec. 17.)

Capt. H. K. White, 1st Inf., from Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., to Oklahoma City, Okla., for duty in connection with recruiting. (Dec. 17.)

Col. J. J. Toffey from duty in office Chief of Inf., Washington, D. C., July 16, to Governors Island, N. Y., for duty in connection with R. O. T. C. affairs at hqrs., 2d Corps Area. (Dec. 19.)

2d Lt. W. E. Pheris, jr., 2d Inf., from Fort Sheridan, Ill., to New York and sail, April 20, for Hawaii for duty. (Dec. 19.)

1st Lt. J. C. White, 6th Inf., Jefferson Barracks, Mo., now on leave in Washington, D. C., from that regt. and station, Jan. 15, assigned to hqrs. co., Washington, D. C. (Dec. 19.)

Maj. J. W. Stilwell, 15th Inf., from that regt., Tientsin, China, June 30, detailed a member of the G. S. C. with troops, and to duty as Chief of Staff, U. S. Army forces in China, Tientsin. (Dec. 20.)

Capt. Philip Doddridge, 18th Inf., from

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NAVY

December 13, 1927.

Capt. H. A. Baldrige to command U. S. S. Rochester.

Lts. J. B. Dow to U. S. S. Pittsburgh; D. Greenwell to 12th Nav. Dist.; E. R. J. Griffin to Asiatic Station; J. O. Kinsky to Asiatic Station; T. Lewis to S. M. Base, Coco Solo, C. Z.; Lt. (j. g.) J. M. Kennaday to trt. Nav. Hosp., New York, Orders Dec. 6, 1927, to U. S. S. S-19 rev.

Ens. H. T. Brian to U. S. S. Pittsburgh; P. C. Crosley to U. S. S. Pittsburgh; L. J. Dow to U. S. S. Saratoga; W. E. Fratske to U. S. S. Eagle 58; C. G. Long to U. S. S. Lexington.

Comdrs. C. M. George (M. C.) to U. S. S. Pennsylvania; C. J. Holeman (M. C.) to U. S. S. Colorado.

Lt. Comdr. P. W. Drekus (M. C.) to Gendarmerie d'Haiti; W. W. Wickersham (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Boston, Mass.

Lts. A. H. Cecha (M. C.) to R. S., San Francisco; F. W. Quinn (M. C.) to R. S., San Francisco; B. M. Summers (M. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Medical School, Washington, D. C.; Lt. (j. g.) J. F. Moore (M. C.) to resignation accepted, Dec. 15, 1927.

Lt. Comdr. F. L. Morey (D. C.) to Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Calif.

Lts. F. W. Mitchell (D. C.) to 6th Nav. Dist.; G. F. Davis (S. C.) to R. S., San Francisco, Calif.; E. F. Sparks (S. C.) to cont. Trt. Nav. Hosp., San Diego, Calif.; R. H. Whitaker (C. C.) to S. S. Langley; M. W. Willard (S. C.) to New York, Portsmouth, N. H.

Capt. A. W. Stone (C. H. C.) to trt. Hosp., Washington, D. C.

Lt. (j. g.) E. M. Criger (C. H. C.) to R. S., San Francisco, Calif.

Ch. Guns. W. H. Cady to R. B., Puget Sound, Wash.; F. Evans to U. S. S. New Mexico; J. Gordon to Pacific Coast Torp. Sta., Keyport, Wash.

December 14, 1927.

Lts. E. R. J. Griffin to Asiatic Station; J. O. Kinsky to Asiatic Station.

Lt. Comdr. W. Wickersham (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Boston, Mass.; F. L. Morey (D. C.) to Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Calif.

Lts. E. F. Sparks (S. C.) to continue treat. Nav. Hosp., San Diego, Calif.; R. H. Whitaker (S. C.) to U. S. S. Langley.

December 15, 1927.

Comdr. R. L. Walker to Rec. Ship, N. Y. Lt. Comdr. R. W. Hayler to aide on staff, Comdr. Dest. Sqds., Setg. Fleet; S. W. Kirtland to U. S. S. Rigel; J. M. Steele to U. S. S. Toucey.

Lts. G. S. Holman to continue duty Off. in Chg., Navy Actg. Sta., Omaha, Neb.; P. M. Lund to U. S. S. New York; J. N. Whelan, temp. duty Navy Yard, Mare Island, Calif.

Ens. E. W. Armentrout, jr., to continue duty U. S. S. Arkansas; J. A. Glick to continue duty U. S. S. Arkansas; H. D. Johnson to continue duty U. S. S. Arkansas; W. C. Straub, to continue duty Subm. Base, New London, Conn.; W. C. Straub, resignation effective Jan. 27, 1928.

December 17, 1927.

Lt. Comdr. J. C. Byrnes to continue treatment, Nav. Hosp., League Island, Philadelphia, Pa.; C. A. Andrews, jr., to U. S. S. Idaho; L. F. Blodgett to Asiatic Station; W. R. Buechner to command U. S. S. Kingfisher; H. A. Clough to command U. S. S. Swan; A. Henderson to command U. S. S. San Diego, Cal.; G. C. Hoover to Navy Yard, Washington, D. C.; W. S. Keller to Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.; H. Redfern to U. S. S. Dobbin; H. L. Thompson to U. S. S. Mercy.

Lt. (j. g.) J. E. French to continue sick leave.

Ens. A. Hede to U. S. S. Williamson; W. J. Miller to Nav. Air Sta., Nav. Oper. Base, Hampton Roads, Va., for temp. duty.

Lts. A. H. Cecha (M. C.) to Asiatic Station; C. R. Hoffecker to Rec. Bks., Philadelphia, Pa.; F. W. Quinn (M. C.) to Asiatic Station; Lts. (j. g.) H. W. Naackel (M. C.) det. Marine Retg. Sta., Kansas City, Mo.; F. V. Sunderland (M. C.) to Subm. Base, Coco Solo, C. Z.; E. O. Anderson (D. C.) to Marine Bks., Parris Is., C. Z.; Lt. R. A. Berry (D. C.) to Cav. Hosp., Norfolk, Va.; Lts. (j. g.) A. Dinsmore (D. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Med. School, Washington, D. C.; J. E. Frisby (D. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Med. School, Washington, D. C.; H. J. Macinnis (D. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Med. School, Washington, D. C.; R. D. Pitton (D. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Med. School, Washington, D. C.

Comdr. J. J. Luchsinger (S. C.) to U. S. Nav. Mission to Peru.

Ch. Bosn. P. H. Bierce to U. S. S. Camden.

Ch. Mach. E. O. Tauer to Navy Yard, Washington, D. C.

Mach. Eric O. Kessler to U. S. S. Wyoming.

The following dispatch orders were received from C-in-C. Asiatic, dated Dec. 15, 1927:

Comdr. R. K. Turner to command U. S. S. Jason and Aircraft Sqds., Asiatic Fleet.

Lt. Comdr. K. E. Hintze to United States.

Lts. C. E. Coney to U. S. S. Black Hawk; B. H. Colyear to Subm. Divs., Asiatic Flt. Lt. (j. g.) J. N. Opie, jr., to U. S. S. Pittsburgh; R. J. Burke, 3d, to Subm. Divs., Asiatic.

Ens. H. Wagner to U. S. S. Pigeon.

December 19, 1927.

Lt. Comdr. H. R. Bogusch to command VT Sqd. 2B, Aircraft Sqds., Battle Flt.

Lts. J. D. Alvis to Aircraft Sqds., Battle

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Army Orders.

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Fort Andrews, Mass., assigned to duty at New York gen. depot. (Dec. 21.)
Maj. T. P. Baldwin from duty as stu., Army War College, Washington, D. C., detailed a member of the G. S. C., W. D. G. S., July 1, for duty with Chief of Staff. (Dec. 21.)

Order of Dec. 9 relieving Lt. Col. I. M. Madison from duty with 88th Div., Minneapolis, Minn., and from detail with O. R., 7th Corps Area, and detailing him for duty as instr., Inf., N. G., Louisville, is revoked. (Dec. 21.)

AIR CORPS

MAJ. GEN. J. E. FECHET, C. OF A. C.
Maj. G. E. A. Reinburg to report to military attaché, American Embassy, Berlin, for duty as asst. military attaché for air, instead of as asst. military attaché. (Dec. 16.)
Maj. G. E. Lovell, jr., to report to military attaché, American Embassy, Rome, Italy, for duty as asst. military attaché for air, instead of as asst. military attaché. (Dec. 16.)

Maj. B. K. Yount to report to military attaché, American Embassy, Paris, for duty as asst. military attaché for air, instead of as asst. military attaché. Major Yount will also report by letter to American Embassy, Madrid, for duty as asst. military attaché for air, instead of as asst. military attaché. (Dec. 16.)

Maj. H. R. Harmon to report for duty as asst. military attaché for air, American Embassy, London, instead of as asst. military attaché. (Dec. 16.)

Capt. W. A. Swift (Inf.) from detail in A. C. from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., assigned to Inf., 2d Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty. (Dec. 17.)

Capt. E. W. Chester (Inf.) from detail in A. C. from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., assigned to Inf., 2d Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty. (Dec. 17.)

Maj. J. F. Goodman (Inf.) from detail in A. C. from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., assigned to Inf., 2d Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty. (Dec. 17.)

2d Lt. K. H. Kinsler (Inf.) from detail in A. C. from Fort Sam Houston, Tex., assigned to Inf., 2d Div., Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for duty. (Dec. 17.)

Capt. St. Clair Streett from duty at Selfridge Field, Mich., to Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, March 1, for duty with chief materiel div. (Dec. 19.)

1st Lt. H. A. Johnson from duty at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, March 24, to Selfridge Field, Mt. Clemens, Mich., for duty. (Dec. 19.)

The appointment of Brig. Gen. J. E. Fechet, asst. to Chief of A. C., as Chief of A. C., rank of maj. gen., for four years, beginning Dec. 20, rank from Dec. 14, announced. (Dec. 20.)

LEAVES

Three months to Lt. Col. R. B. Ellis, Cav.,

March 14, with permission to leave U. S. (Dec. 16.)

One month, 20 days, to Maj. J. A. Parker, J. A. G. Dept., Dec. 19. (Dec. 19.)
Sick leave granted Wmnt. Offr. A. G. Jupenaz, extended one month. (Dec. 19.)
Four months to Maj. R. C. Richardson, G. S. C., on relief from present duties. (Dec. 21.)

Two months to Capt. E. A. Williams, Inf., Jan. 2. (Dec. 21.)

DETAILED IN G. S. C.

Following officers relieved from present duties, June 30, detailed as members G. S. C., with troops, and will report to Philippine Dept., for duty: Maj. Dean Hudnutt, F. A., and G. P. Wilhelm, Ord. Dept. (Dec. 20.)

CHANGES IN NAMES

The change in name of Col. Frank Baker, U. S. A., ret., to Francis Baker, is announced. (Dec. 21.)

The change in name of 1st Lt. Max Balfour, A. C., to Maxwell W. Balfour, is announced. (Dec. 21.)

ORDER TO RETIRED OFFICER

Maj. F. J. Torney, U. S. A., ret., now in San Francisco, Calif., placed on active duty, will proceed to Salt Lake City, Utah, for station and duty in connection with recruiting. (Dec. 16.)

WARRANT OFFICERS

Wmnt. Offr. G. W. Collins from Reno q. m. depot, Fort Reno, Okla., assigned to duty with q. m., Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y., on completing present leave, Dec. 21. (Dec. 16.)

Wmnt. Offr. L. G. Sleeper, band leader, from Gen. Serv. School band, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., assigned to duty as leader of 1st Inf. band, Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. (Dec. 20.)

Wmnt. Offr. E. A. Holloway, band leader, from 1st Inf. band, Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., assigned to duty as leader of Gen. Serv. School band, Fort Leavenworth, Kans. (Dec. 20.)

Wmnt. Offr. S. H. Hansen, now a patient at Letterman Hosp., Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., to Army retiring board, hqrs., 9th Corps Area, for examination. (Dec. 21.)

Wmnt. Offr. F. B. Simpson assigned to duty at hqrs., 7th Corps Area, Fort Omaha, Neb., on date he leaves Hawaiian Dept. for treatment at Letterman Hosp., San Francisco, Calif., and on completing treatment to duty assigned. (Dec. 21.)

Wmnt. Offr. R. L. Percy from duties at hqrs., 7th Corps Area, Fort Omaha, Neb., to San Francisco, Calif., and sail Feb. 24 for Hawaii for duty. (Dec. 21.)

RETIREMENT OF ENLISTED MEN

Mstr. Sgt. George Bauer, F. A. Sch. detachment, at F. A. Sch., Fort Sill, Okla. (Dec. 16.)

1st Sgt. Thomas Sheehy, 38th Inf., at Fort Douglas, Utah. (Dec. 16.)

Mstr. Sgt. J. H. Jones, 13th Engr., at Fort Humphreys, Va. (Dec. 19.)

1st Sgt. O. J. Harvey, 25th Inf., at Fort Niagara, N. Y. (Dec. 19.)

1st Sgt. G. M. Collier, 60th C. A., at Fort Wm. McKinley, P. I. (Dec. 20.)

1st Sgt. Fred Quinn, 64th C. A., Fort Shafter, T. H. (Dec. 20.)

1st Sgt. Miles Goodenough, 29th Inf., at Fort Benning, Ga. (Dec. 20.)

Sgt. William Morgan, 6th F. A., at Fort Hoyle, Md. (Dec. 21.)

Mstr. Sgt. E. J. Lyons, D. E. M. L., at Augusta, Me. (Dec. 21.)

ORGANIZED RESERVES

Lt. Col. W. H. Conklin, Q. M. Res., to active duty Dec. 22, to Washington, D. C., for training with Q. M. Gen. (Dec. 16.)

2nd Lt. Lewis Brewer, A. C. Res., from duty at Brooks Fld., Tex., to home, Griffin, Ga., and from further active duty. (Dec. 17.)

1st Lt. J. D. Glecker, Med. Res., to active duty Jan. 5, to Brooks Fld., Tex., for course at Sch. of Aviation Medicine. (Dec. 19.)

CIRCULAR 56, W. D., DEC. 10, 1927.

This circular is in three sections, the first relating to suspension of overhead charge on sales of subsistence stores, the second to rating of enlisted men as air mechanics and the third to revised allotment of grades and specialists' ratings of enlisted men to organizations.

LATE WAR DEPARTMENT ORDERS.

The following War Department orders were received too late for classification:

S. O. 303, W. D., DEC. 22, 1927.

General Officer.

Brig. Gen. A. G. Lott, U. S. A., is assigned to command 8th Brigade, and on completing temp. duty at Langley Fld., Va., to Fort McPherson, Ga., for duty.

Adjutant General's Dept.

Col. Robert Whitfield is assigned to duty at hqrs., 5th Corps Area, Fort Hayes, Ohio, on completing foreign service in Panama.

Medical Corps.

Order of Nov. 15, assigning Maj. A. P. Hitchens, M. C., to duty at Army Med. Sch., Washington, D. C., on completing foreign service, is revoked.

Veterinary Corps.

Capt. P. H. Hudgins, Walter Reed Hosp., Washington, D. C., to home and await retirement.

Corps of Engineers.

2nd Lt. R. E. M. Desllets, 2nd Engrs., from Fort Logan, Colo., and will proceed to Governors Island, N. Y., for duty at hqrs., 2nd Corps Area.

Cavalry.

The appointment of Col. A. G. Lott, Cav., as Brig. Gen., from Dec. 20, is announced.

Infantry.

2nd Lt. C. W. McCarthy, 38th Inf., from Fort Douglas, Utah, to Fort Rosecrans, Calif., for duty with Brig. Gen. R. H. Van Deman, U. S. A.

Air Corps.

1st Lt. R. E. Self from duty at Wright Field, Ohio, to Washington, D. C., Jan. 10, for duty in office of Chief of A. C.

Leaves.

Leave granted Maj. A. P. Hitchens, M. C., Nov. 15, is revoked.
Two months, 15 days to 1st Lt. H. T. Molley, Jan. 10.

Three months to Lt. Col. E. H. Brunds, M. C., on expiration of foreign service, with permission to return to U. S. via Europe.

Two months to Capt. M. W. Spotswood, Q. M. C., on arrival at San Francisco, Calif.

Two months to Capt. E. A. Williams, Cav., Jan. 2.

Organized Reserve.

1st Lt. H. C. R. Stewart, Q. M. Res., to active duty Jan. 5, to Seattle, Wash., for duty and training, Q. M. Depot.

U. S. M. C. Orders

December 15, 1927.

Maj. W. W. Buckley to U. S. S. Wyoming. Capt. E. B. Hammond, on Dec. 20, to M. B., NYd, Mare Island, Calif.; H. Hardy relieved from detail as an Assistant Paymaster; L. Passmore, A. P. M., detailed as an Assistant Paymaster, effective Dec. 15, 1927.

1st Lt. H. B. Alban to duty in the Department of the Pacific.

December 16, 1927.

Maj. E. H. Morse, to 9th Reserve Regiment, Chicago, Ill. Capt. J. D. McLean, on Jan. 2, 1928, to M. B., N. Yd., Washington, D. C. 2nd Lts. R. J. DeLacy, C. Williams, B. H. Kirk, R. C. Scollin, to M. B., N. Yd., Philadelphia, Pa., ordered to proceed via first available Government conveyance. 2nd Lts. W. D. Saunders, D. M. Shoup, W. E. Griffith, E. B. Ryan, to M. B., N. Yd., Philadelphia, Pa., via first available Government conveyance.

December 17, 1927.

Capt. J. E. Brewster resignation accepted; L. W. Putnam to special temporary duty beyond the seas with the Third Brigade, China, via the U. S. S. Henderson, scheduled to sail from San Francisco, Calif., on or about Jan. 4, 1928.

1st Lt. W. P. Kelly assigned to duty at M. C. B., N. O. B., San Diego, Calif.

2d Lt. C. T. Bailey, on or about Dec. 21, to First Brigade, Haiti, via the U. S. S. Kittery, scheduled to sail from Hampton Roads, Va., on or about Jan. 2, 1928; R. M. Cutts, jr., to First Brigade, Haiti, via the U. S. S. Kittery, scheduled to sail from Hampton Roads, Va., on or about Jan. 2, 1928; H. C. Roberts to special temporary duty beyond the seas with the Third Brigade, China, via the U. S. S. Henderson, scheduled to sail from San Diego, Calif., on or about Jan. 7, 1928.

Chf. Pay Clk. C. J. Conroy assigned to

duty at Headquarters Department of the Pacific, San Francisco, Calif.

Mar. Gun. C. A. Pennington to M. B., Quantico, Va.

December 19, 1927.

Maj. L. W. Hoyt, on or about Dec. 29, to duty in the Nicaraguan National Guard Detachment, and in the Guardia Nacional of Nicaragua, via the U. S. A. T. Chateau Thierry, scheduled to sail from New York, N. Y., on or about Jan. 12, 1928.

Capt. F. R. Armstead ordered to special temporary duty beyond the seas with the Third Brigade, China, via the U. S. S. Henderson, scheduled to sail from San Francisco, Calif., on or about Jan. 4, 1928; W. W. Rogers to duty in the Nicaraguan National Guard Detachment, and in the Guardia Nacional of Nicaragua, via the U. S. A. T. Chateau Thierry, scheduled to sail from New York, N. Y., on or about Jan. 12, 1928; W. C. James to M. B., Navy Yard, Charleston, S. C., for treatment at the Naval Hospital, Charleston, S. C.

Qm. Clk. W. E. Yaecker to duty in the Nicaraguan National Guard Detachment, and in the Guardia Nacional of Nicaragua, via the U. S. A. T. Chateau Thierry, scheduled to sail from New York, N. Y., on or about Jan. 12, 1928.

December 20, 1927.

Capt. J. B. Neill, jr., and 2nd Lts. A. G. Bliesener, R. Fagan, R. L. Griffin, jr., J. N. Hart, T. J. McQuade, E. L. Pugh, jr., to N. A. S., Pensacola, Fla., to report, not later than Jan. 1, 1928, for aviation duty and assignment to next Naval Aviators Class.

December 21, 1927.

Capt. W. W. Rogers, detail as an Assistant Quartermaster revoked, effective Dec. 31, 1927. Capt. M. H. Silverthorn, detailed as an Assistant Quartermaster effective Dec. 31, 1927.

1st Lt. J. J. Brennan, retired as of Dec. 29, 1927. 2nd Lt. W. B. Benson, to proceed to New York, N. Y., via the U. S. A. T. Cambrai scheduled to sail from San Francisco, Calif., on or about Jan. 6, 1928.

Navy Orders

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Flt.; T. F. Hayes to Rec. Ship, San Francisco; C. L. Jacobsen to U. S. S. Idaho; F. M. Maichle to Asiatic Sta.; R. F. Stockin to Asiatic Sta.; W. L. Travis to U. S. S. Henderson; J. P. Vetter to Asiatic Sta.; E. J. Brady (M. C.) to Asiatic Sta.; N. J. Haverty (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Newport, R. I.; J. G. Smith (M. C.) to University of Cal. Med. School, San Francisco.

Lts. (j. g.) V. P. Johnson (M. C.) to Asiatic Sta.; G. W. Smith (M. C.) to Asiatic Sta.; R. W. Malone (D. C.) to Nav. Med. School, Washington, D. C., for temp. duty. Lt. R. B. Putnam (D. C.) to Nav. Trng. Sta., Nav. Oper. Base, Hampton Roads, Va. Cr. Bosn. C. L. Bailey orders of Oct. 18, 1927, modified; carry out remainder orders.

Gun. W. F. Condit to continue treatment Nav. Hosp., Norfolk, Va.

Ch. Pharm. C. A. Adelman to U. S. S. Saratoga.

Phar. H. J. Lucy to U. S. S. Relief.

Ch. Pay Clk. G. R. Heissel to duty U. S. S. Camden.

December 20, 1927.

Lt. Comdrs. T. A. M. Craven to U. S. S. Sapolo; A. C. Thomas to Asiatic Sta. Lts. M. H. Crouter to Asiatic Sta.; A. D. Freshman to Nav. Torp. Sta.; J. L. Reynolds to Asiatic Sta.; P. E. Roswall to duty with VT Sqd. 18, Aircraft Sqds., Setg. Flt., on board U. S. S. Lexington; M. A. Schur to Nav. Air Sta., Coco Solo, C. Z.

Lts. (j. g.) R. R. Darron to VR Sqd. 58, Aircraft Sqds., Setg. Flt., on board U. S. S. Lexington; D. W. Harrigan to VR Sqd. 58, Aircraft Sqds., Setg. Flt., on board U. S. S. Lexington; M. C. Heine to U. S. S. S-22; W. V. O'Regan to U. S. S. S-19; F. L. Rhea to VO Sqd. 4B, Aircraft Sqds., Battle Flt.; W. F. Simrell, jr., to VT Sqds. 18, Aircraft Sqds., Setg. Flt., on board U. S. S. Lexington.

Ens. H. Ebert to U. S. S. Kansas; J. B. Harlow to continue duty Subm. Base, New London, Conn.; H. E. Schiege to U. S. S. Sands.

Lt. (j. g.) P. H. Goldberg (M. C.) to Navy Rec. Sta., Salt Lake City, Utah.

Lt. Comdr. H. H. Alkire (S. C.) to duty Nav. Ord. Plant, South Charleston, W. Va.

Lt. G. F. Davis (S. C.) to Asiatic Sta.

Lt. (j. g.) E. M. Criger (C. H. C.) to Asiatic Sta.

Ch. Bosns. A. Feher to VF Sqd. 56, Aircraft Sqds., Setg. Flt. (U. S. S. Lexington); E. F. Hosmer to Nav. Trng. Sta., Newport, R. I.; R. C. West to Nav. Trng. Sta., Great Lakes, Ill.

Machs. M. H. Dickey to 3d Nav. Dist.; T. E. McDonald to Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N. H.

Ch. Pay Clks. L. R. Benson to Nav. Sta., Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; W. W. Housley to Nav. Air Sta., Pensacola, Fla.

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Battleship Divisions.

Vice Adm. W. V. Pratt, Commander. Division Three—Pennsylvania, Arizona, San Pedro, Calif.; New York, Balboa to San Pedro, Calif.

Division Four—Mississippi, New Mexico, Idaho, San Pedro, Calif.

Division Five—West Virginia, San Pedro; Colorado, Tennessee, San Pedro, Calif.; Maryland, Navy Yard, Bremerton, Wash.

Destroyer Squadron.

Rear Adm. Luke McNamee, Commander. Rigel, San Diego; Omaha, McDermut, San Diego.

Squadron Eleven—Decatur (leader), San Diego; Melville (tender), San Diego.

Division Thirty—Meyer, Sinclair, Henshaw, McCawley, San Diego; Moody, Doyen, Bremerton, Wash.

Division Thirty-one—Wm. Jones Farragut, J. F. Burnes, San Diego; Percival, San Diego; Somers, San Diego, Calif.; Zeilin, Mare Island, Calif.

Division Thirty-two—Paul Hamilton, Stoddert, Kennedy, Farquhar, Thompson, San Diego; Reno, Mare Island, Calif.

Squadron Twelve—Litchfield (leader), San Diego, Calif.; Altair (tender), San Diego.

Division Thirty-four—Sloat, Shirk, La Vallette, Kidder, San Diego; Wood, San Diego; Yarborough, San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-five—Chase, Mullany, Marcus, Robt. Smith, Mervine, Selfridge, San Diego.

Division Thirty-six—Corry, Hull, Melvin, Macdonough, San Diego, Calif.; Farenholt Sumner, Mare Island, Calif.

Aircraft Squadrons.

Rear Adm. J. M. Reeves, Commander. Langley, Aroostook, San Diego; Gannet, San Diego, Calif.

Submarine Divisions.

Rear Adm. Ridley McLean, Commander. Holland (flagship and tender), San Diego, Calif.; Ortolan (tender), San Diego.

Division Eleven—S-24, S-27, S-28, S-29, San Diego; S-25, S-26, Mare Island.

Division Eighteen—S-14, S-15, S-16, S-17, Mare Island.

Division Nineteen—S-44, S-46, S-47, S-45, San Diego; S-42, S-43, Mare Island.

Division Twenty—Argonne (tender), V-1, V-2, V-3, San Diego, Calif.

Submarines Based on Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Capt. F. C. Martin, Commander. Seagull (tender), Widgeon (tender), Pearl Harbor.

Division Nine—R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, R-6, R-7, R-8, R-9, R-10, Hawaiian waters.

Division Fourteen—R-11, R-12, R-13, R-14, R-15, R-16, R-17, R-18, R-19, R-29, Hawaiian waters.

BASE FORCE.

Rear Adm. W. W. Phelps, Commander. Procyon, San Pedro.

Mine Squadron 2—Burns, Ludlow, Tanager, Whippoorwill, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Train Squadron 1—Antares, Norfolk Va.; Vestal, Norfolk; Mercy, Philadelphia; Bridge, New York yard; Brazos, Boston, Mass.

Train Squadron 2—Relief, Medusa, San Pedro; Neches, en route to San Pedro; Cayama, Navy Yard, Bremerton; Kanawha, San Diego; Arctic, San Pedro, Calif.

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Vice Adm. A. H. Robertson, Commander. Wyoming (flagship), Philadelphia, Pa.

Battleship Division Two.

Rear Adm. Geo. W. Laws, Commander. Nevada, Norfolk; Oklahoma, Philadelphia, Pa.; Wyoming, Philadelphia; Utah, Florida, Boston, Mass.

Light Cruiser Division Two.

Rear Adm. Geo. C. Day, Commander. Trenton (flagship), New York Navy Yard; Raleigh, Boston, Mass.; Memphis, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa.; Milwaukee, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. Frank H. Clark, Commander. Concord, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa.; Putnam, Boston, Mass.

Squadron Nine—Dallas (leader), Whitney, Philadelphia, Pa.

Division Twenty-five—Toucey, Sharkey, Lardner, Case, Breck, Isherwood, Norfolk, Va.

Division Twenty-six—Converse, Worden, Flusser, Dale, Billingsley, Reid, Philadelphia, Pa.

Division Twenty-seven—Bruce, Charles, Ausburne, Osborne, Lamson, Coghan, Preston, Norfolk, Va.

Squadron Fourteen—Hopkins (leader), Dobbin, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Division Forty—Kane, Lawrence, Hatfield, Humphreys, Brooks, Navy Yard, New York, N. Y.

Division Forty-one—Sturtevant, Provincetown, Mass.; Overton, Childs, McFarland, J. K. Paulding, King, Boston, Mass.

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Aircraft Squadrons.

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Mine Squadron 1—Shawmut, Mahan, Maury, Boston; Lark, Mallard, Provincetown, Mass.

Submarine Divisions.

Division Two—Chewink, S-20, O-1, O-2, New London, Conn.; O-4, Portsmouth, N. H.

Division Three—S-10, New London, Conn.; S-12, S-18, S-19, New London, Conn.

Division Four—S-1, Newport; S-21, S-22,

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THE Cuban Congress has voted Mrs. Leonard Wood, widow of Maj. Gen. Wood, a pension of \$500 monthly.

The United States Government allows Mrs. Wood a pension of \$30 monthly.

PLANS TO COMBINE AIR FIELDS.

THE city of San Antonio, Tex., has raised the sum of \$500,000 to purchase a site on which to combine all Air Corps activities. This news was received by Congressman W. Frank James in a telegram signed Mayor C. M. Chambers, of San Antonio. The bill authorizing the establishment of the new field will probably be acted on in Congress early in January. This will combine Kelly, Duncan, Brooks, and the new field in one central group and will result in a distinct saving in administration. An amendment to the bill authorizing money for permanent construction at Kelly Field and Brooks Field has been offered by Congressman Wurzbach, whereby the money authorized for building at these two fields can be transferred to the new training center.

Appropriations for this field passed the House of Representatives during the 69th Congress, but were held up in the Senate because of the fact that the Air Corps did not own land for the site. Mr. James, while in Texas last September, informed the Mayor and Chamber of Commerce of San Antonio that it was his impression that if the city of San Antonio could raise the money to present a suitable site for the combining of the Air Corps activities of the Government that little opposition would be voiced to an appropriation for this purpose in Congress.

The following is the text of the telegram sent to Congressman James:

"We take pleasure in advising you that the City of San Antonio has \$500,000 in bank to pay for a primary flying field and the site approved by General Lahm will be under option on or before January 1. We will be ready to make title to the Government without cost to it by that date. San Antonio sincerely appreciates your cooperation and consideration."

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Light Cruiser Division Three.

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Destroyer Squadron.

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Division Thirty-nine—McLeish, Cavite; McCormick, Parrott, Simpson, Manila, P. I.; Edsall, Bulmer, Olongapo, P. I.

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Division Forty-five—Hulbert, Preble, Wm. B. Preston, Pruitt, Noa, Sicard, Manila, P. I.

Air Force.

Jason, Heron, Avocet, Manila, P. I.

Submarine Divisions.

Division Sixteen—Beaver (tender), S-31, S-30, S-32, S-33, S-35, S-34, Manila, P. I.

Division Seventeen—Canopus (tender), S-2, S-36, S-39, S-40, S-38, S-37, S-41, Manila, P. I.

Mine Detachment.

Bittern, Manila; Finch, Hart, Rizal, Cavite, P. I.

NAVAL FORCES, EUROPE.

Vice Adm. Guy H. Burrage, Commander. Detroit (flagship), Villefrance, France.

Division Thirty-eight—Whipple, Barker, John D. Edwards, Smith-Thompson, Villefrance; Tracy, Marseille, Borie, Naples, Italy.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Chaumont, Shanghai, China; Hannibal, surveying duty; Henderson, Mare Island, Calif.; Lexington, Quincy, Mass.; Niagara, Philadelphia, Pa.; Nokomis, Cay Francis, Cuba; Saratoga, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Academies for the present. Secretary Davis' office issued the following statement:

"In answer to an inquiry as to his attitude with reference to the athletic relations between the Military and Naval Academies, the Secretary of War, Mr. Davis, has stated that he does not desire, at present, to express an opinion. He hopes the subject may be left, as heretofore, entirely in the hands of the authorities of the two institutions.

"The present football relations of the academies are based upon a contract for four years of competition. That contract does not contain any provision limiting eligibility of players.

"The Secretary desires to refrain from any expression until he knows more fully the reasons why the Naval Academy desires to depart from the existing contract, which was only entered into last year and still has three more years to run."

In Congress, Representatives Britten and Fish supported Navy's stand on eligibility and introduced resolutions to bring about continuance of the contests. Representative Fish's resolution directs the Secretaries of War and Navy to make every effort to bring about a compromise satisfactory to both institutions to the end that football relations will be resumed on a basis of mutual understanding and good will."

The Britten resolution would authorize the heads of the War and Navy Departments "to promote rules and regulations for the playing of football by the students of their respective institutions, so that said rules will not be in conflict with each other nor in conflict with the rules and regulations governing the playing of football by the principal American universities."

Following the introduction of these resolutions Chairman Morin, of the House Military Affairs Committee defended the Army's eligibility views.

Major General Winan's supplementary statement of Dec. 16 follows:

The position of West Point on the question of the three-year rule was clearly defined for the information of the public in my statement of last Wednesday because it was necessary to take action on the proposal of the Superintendent of the Naval Academy to enter into a contract for the annual service game on Nov. 24, 1928.

This proposal, and my answer thereto, is shown in the following correspondence. The suggested contract related to business details connected with the game to be played on Nov. 24, 1928. This game had already been agreed upon as one of the four games covered by the contract between the two academies for games in 1927, 1928, 1929 and 1930, which was signed in October, 1926.

As will be seen, the effect of the proposal of the Superintendent of the Naval Academy would be to abrogate the main contract unless the three-year rule was at once agreed to and adopted by the Military Academy. Since the best interests of the Military Academy absolutely forbid the adoption of any such rule, the contract was returned unsigned for the reasons given in my letter written in answer to the following letter received from the Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy.

Letter from the Navy.

Paragraph 1—The original and two carbon copies of a contract for a proposed Army-Navy football game in 1928 are forwarded herewith. Attention is invited to Paragraph 14, relating to eligibility.

In June, 1927, the Superintendent, Naval Academy, adopted the three-year eligibility rule for intercollegiate sports in which the Naval Academy participates. The Superin-

tendent, Military Academy, was informed of this decision on June 10, 1927. Rejection of the eligibility feature by the United States Military Academy will be considered as rejection of the contract and the Naval Academy will consider itself free to schedule another game on Nov. 24, 1928.

Paragraph 2—Early action on this contract is requested.

(Signed)

L. M. NULTON.

Word of Paragraph 14.

Paragraph 14 of the proposed contract which was enclosed with the above was then quoted by General Winans. It reads as follows:

It is mutually agreed by the Superintendents of the United States Military Academy and the United States Naval Academy that no contestant shall take part in this game on either team who has had three years' experience in intercollegiate football, the three-year rule to apply to all contestants and to include participants in intercollegiate football while at either academy or any other accredited college or university.

The General's Reply.

In answer to this General Winans sent the following to the Superintendent of the Naval Academy:

Paragraph 1. Receipt is acknowledged of the letter of the Superintendent, United States Naval Academy, dated Dec. 3, 1927, together with proposed contract in triplicate covering the business details of the Army-Navy football game scheduled for Nov. 24, 1928.

Paragraph 2. Because of the inclusion of Paragraph 14, relating to eligibility, which paragraph I cannot accept for reasons fully covered in previous correspondence between the authorities of the two academies, the contract is returned herewith, unsigned.

Paragraph 3. In view of the statement in the letter of the Superintendent, United States Naval Academy, that rejection of the eligibility feature by the United States Military Academy will be considered as rejection of the proposed contract and that the Naval Academy will consider itself free to schedule another game on Nov. 24, 1928, I conclude that the authorities of the United States Naval Academy wish to be released from the contract of October, 1926, under which the two academies mutually agreed to play Army-Navy football games in the years 1927, 1928, 1929 and 1930.

While I regret that you should feel this to be necessary, I wish to assure you that, under the circumstances, the authorities of the Military Academy will not oppose your wishes in this respect.

EDWIN B. WINANS,

Major General, U. S. Army.

Superintendent.

Nulton's Statement.

Rear Admiral L. M. Nulton, Superintendent, United States Naval Academy, on Dec. 17, issued the following statement in reference to the athletic break with West Point:

"I have read the statement of the athletic policy at West Point and its mission to the student body and the general service. I understand and respect the point of view expressed therein and credit its sincerity, but I disagree with some of its premises and some of its conclusions.

"The mission of athletics at the Naval Academy in relation to the student body and the general service is identically the same as that of West Point, but the Naval Academy does not consider it an essential in fulfilling this mission to play players six and seven years in the same sport, nor does it consider such a procedure in the best interest of the amateur status of sport.

"Raising the question of eligibility does not bring into question criticism of ethics. It does, however, bring into question consideration of the length of experience of players in the same sport and consideration as to whether the contestants are operating under conditions which give to each side a sporting chance to win.

Corrects Statement.

"The statement that the student body at Annapolis is 50 per cent in excess of that at West Point is in error.

As a matter of fact there were on

Yost States Views

FIELDING H. YOST, nationally

known coach of the University of Michigan, which plays Navy at Baltimore on Nov. 10, 1928, gave the following exclusive statement to the Army and Navy Journal in reply to a request for his views on the Army-Navy eligibility dispute:

"I believe in equality in competition as essential in the development of neutral confidence and good will between two competing universities. No university should want or have eligibility advantages. This is only fair play. Since 1905 the Western Conference has had the freshman rule three-year playing limit. No student may compete who has a degree. After 22 years these rules are enforced at practically every college and university in America. Those responsible for the administration of intercollegiate athletics have deemed them all essential or they would not be so universally approved."

Dec. 16, 1927, 293 more midshipmen than cadets, the numbers at the respective academies being: West Point, 1,241; Annapolis, 1,534.

"The Naval Academy participates in intercollegiate sports with a very large number of institutions, and it expects to operate in conformity with the accepted practices of intercollegiate sport. Of 20 conferences, covering over 200 accredited colleges and universities, 17 out of 20 considered it desirable to conform to an eligibility rule, and of these 17, 11 conform to the three-year rule, and six to a four-year rule.

"Through the nature of his appointment and entrance to both West Point and Annapolis, there can be no question as to a student at either place being a bona fide student, and there is considerable strength to the argument that any student at either institution should be eligible for participation in any sport at either institution. For intra-mural sports there can be no question of this, but when it comes to intercollegiate contests there does arise the question of total experience in one sport and the desirability of considering eligibility from the point of view of reasonable equitable conditions of competition.

"There is one point on which there is misunderstanding and confusion that I wish to make clear, and that is with reference to the so-called four-year agreement. Every one familiar with the situation knows that the Superintendent of each academy as a matter of administrative procedure determines the athletic policy of each institution.

Only Part of Fact.

"No sincere or just interpretation of that agreement can be made without at the same time realizing that it is only a part of the whole agreement, which whole agreement consists of the four-year agreement itself, the unwritten mutual understanding and agreement between the two men who wrote it, General Stewart and Admiral Nulton, and the local agreement covering each individual game. The four-year agreement can not be considered alone, separately from the unwritten understanding between the two superintendents at the time. Neither Superintendent for a moment considered that the four-year agreement prohibited him for a period of four years from the adoption of administrative policies within his command which he considered essential to the proper conduct of his command. Any such an interpretation would have been ridiculous and there was no such understanding between them.

"The four-year agreement as originally written contained an eligibility requirement which was removed at the express request of General Stewart because he stated it was a matter of policy which he intended to announce in the near future. This point of view was accepted by the Superintendent of the Naval Academy and it naturally left him free for similar announcement of matters pertaining to administrative policy which he considered essential to the conduct of his command.

Three-Year Rule Disputed.

"While in accord as to the freshman rule, there was a divergence of opinion between the two Superintendents as to the three-year rule. The correspondence on the special and general eligibility conditions began July 21, 1926, and the full correspondence will show that with reference to the three-year eligibility rule General Stewart recognized the right of the Superintendent of the Naval Academy as a matter of administrative policy to put into effect the three-year eligibility rule, although disagreeing with him as to the desirability and necessity of its existence.

"On June 10, 1927, the Superintendent, Naval Academy, adopted the three-year eligibility rule, so informed the Superintendent at West Point, at the same time informing him that in order that there might be no element of surprise in it, it would not apply except to games scheduled to be played after July 1, 1928.

"For each game each year that is a separate and special contract covering the game for that year and, while this is primarily for the purpose of regulating locality, field and ticket arrangements, there may be included therein any arrangement considered desirable or necessary.

This year was the Navy's year to write that contract, and included in it was the three-year eligibility rule in accordance

with the policy of the Superintendent of the Naval Academy, as announced in June, 1927.

No More Steps by Navy.

"The authorities of the Military Academy feeling they could not accept the eligibility conditions returned the contract unsigned. The Naval Academy contemplates taking no further steps toward an Army-Navy game for 1928. The association between the Naval Academy and West Point has been most cordial, and the Naval Academy has looked forward to friendly athletic contests with West Point as the outstanding features of our athletic seasons. Their teams have played fine, clean sportsmanlike games and have been the subject of our admiration.

"We feel that the older average age of West Point offsets any slight superiority of numbers of the Naval Academy, thus leaving for consideration the question of a reasonable parity of competition, which comes down to the determination of the total number of years a student is allowed to participate in one and the same sport. The Superintendent, Naval Academy, does not believe it to be the best interests of athletics at the Naval Academy to allow students to participate in one and the same sport for periods of five, six or seven years. On this subject there is between the authorities of the two academies a difference of opinion.

"My position is that it is not to the best interests of athletic sport at the Naval Academy to play younger three-year men against older men of experience up to seven years, and that it is not essential to the fulfillment of the mission of athletics to the Academy or the Naval Service that students, even though bona fide, should be continued in one and the same sports in intercollegiate contests without limitation.

"Speaking for myself personally correspondence and conferences on the subject of eligibility have been conducted by both sides in a spirit of utmost cordiality, courtesy and good will. The relation existing between the two student bodies has been one of marked cordiality, admiration and respect and I am deeply concerned that no phase of an honest difference of opinion should tend to hurt this."

What Congress Thinks

REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS S. BUT-

LER, Chairman of House Naval Affairs Committee: "I have but one fear; they may resume again."

Representative John M. Morin, Chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee:

"I strongly approve the attitude which the Superintendent of the Military Academy, Major General Winans, has taken on this question, and I will support him in it to the end. He is exactly right.

"From my knowledge of West Point, I believe that the adoption by West Point of any eligibility rules, such as those proposed by the Superintendent of the Academy, are not only entirely unnecessary in order to preserve athletics at West Point on the basis of purely amateur sports, but I am convinced that the adoption of such rules by West Point would be a direct violation of that democratic spirit in the corps of cadets which has for years been one of the outstanding characteristics of West Point.

"Every cadet at West Point has exactly the same rights, privileges, opportunities, prohibitions and restrictions that his classmates have. Each man makes his own position by his own efforts. If a cadet coming to West Point has been graduated first in his class at Yale or Harvard he is entitled to first place in his class at West Point only if he can make it. No handicap is placed upon him because of his previous brilliant academic record.

"At the same time no advantage is given except that which he himself earns. If he were a 'Red Grange' before he entered West Point, he is entitled to be on the West Point Football Team only if he can make it. No handicap is placed on him because of his brilliant athletic record, and no advantage is given him except that which he himself earns.

"West Point can not adopt any rule which will discriminate against any of her cadets. She must continue to guarantee to her cadets the equality of treatment they have always enjoyed."

Representative Fred A. Britten, ranking Republican Member of the House Committee on Naval Affairs, said in part:

"Failure to play the 1928 game would do more to hurt the fine cordiality now existing between the Army and Navy than could anything else I know. In fairness to the principal colleges of the country, which have long recognized the three-year eligibility rule in football, I certainly hope that West Point will amend its rules and if it doesn't, then I shall bring my resolution before the House, where the West Point attitude can be shown in its true light.

"If the Army-Navy game should not be played in 1928, then in fairness to Yale and other first class colleges with whom West Point may play, the country will insist on an equality of rules unless West Point can show that it is entitled to a handicap before agreeing to play.

"Unless the Secretary of War forces the (Please Turn to Page 342.)



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Reserves Seek Training Funds

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Against Reduction of R. O. T. C.
"The present budget estimates for the support of the R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C. are smaller, when all is considered, than they were for the fiscal year 1927 and 1928. We believe the policy of gradually reducing the support of these two most essential National Defense activities, especially since they must furnish the replacements for the Officers Reserve Corps, constitutes a serious backward step in National Defense, and we will seek to have Congress provide enough funds with which to carry on the work of both of these organizations in a progressive, constructive and enlarged way."

"Our Association has repeatedly gone on record as demanding justice for the disabled emergency officers who are now outside the benefits of financial assistance afforded all other classes of officers. We shall support the bill, now pending in Congress, designed to bring the merited but much delayed relief to these worthy brother officers."

"Each year there are several Reserve Officers overcome by illness or injury while on duty en route to and from training camps. The Comptrollers office has held that under the language of the present appropriations act, that unless such illness, or injury, is contracted at Army posts, the benefits of the appropriations made to cover such cases are not available. This needed change of language, if that is it, will be asked for."

Advocate Universal Draft.
"The Reserve Officers' Association believes it is as essential that a carefully considered 'Draft Act' be provided in peace time, as is any other step toward preparedness for a national emergency; hence, the Association will support the plan of the American Legion in placing such a law on the statute books."

"Our Association will give its whole support to the program of the Navy in seeking additional cruisers and other craft necessary to properly equip our sea forces."

Urge Housing Funds.

"The appropriations for the Army and National Guard are being carefully studied, and this Association will strive to have appropriated sufficient funds with which to properly equip and function these arms of the service. Not alone Reserve Officers, but the citizens of every State, realize the emergency needs of the Army for the proper housing of its personnel and property."

Approve War Dept. Policies.

"This Association has enjoyed a splendid growth during the last year which is, in part, due I believe to the solution of the policy question by the Secretary of War and the Chief of Staff of the Army, last summer. We are daily endeavoring to give the Reserve Officers, generally, a clear understanding of the application of these policies, knowing full well that if it is found advisable to again modify them in any particular, that the War Department will make the needed changes. It is our policy to support the policies in their present form in the utmost good faith, as they represent the best thought of both the Army and the reserves and should have a fair trial by the test of time."

Organized Reserve

TAMPA RESERVES.

Tampa (Special).—At the last meeting of Tampa Chapter, R. O. A., Capt. J. A. Waterman, F. A., Res., was elected pres.; Capt. W. A. Joughin, Qm. Res., vice pres.; First Lt. E. M. Fabian, Inf. Res., sec.-treas., asst. sec.-treas. The nominations were reported by Col. H. C. Culbreath and all nominees were elected unanimously. Capt. Waterman succeeds Maj. P. G. Murphy as head of the Chapter.

Maj. Gen. A. H. Blanding, chairman

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N. C. A. A. MEETS DECEMBER 29.
New York (Special).—The National Collegiate Athletic Association will hold its Twenty-second Annual Conference at New York City on December 29. The morning session, which commences at 10 a. m., will be opened by an address by Brig. Gen. Palmer E. Pierce, President of the Association. Among the speakers will be Maj. Gen. Hanson E. Ely, Commanding Officer of the 2nd Corps Area, who will talk on the "Importance of Physical Efficiency to the National Defense."

The afternoon session will be a business session at which reports of the Secretary-Treasurer, districts and rules committees will be received, and at which members of the various committees and officers will be elected.

CADET POLOISTS WIN.

West Point (Special).—Army defeated Squadron A. N. G., N. Y., at polo Dec. 17, 9 to 3. The guardsmen counted two of their three points in the first two minutes of play, but after that were out-riden at every turn. Army's hitting was accurate and the Cadets were hard riders.

WANDLE CONTRACT RENEWED.

West Point (Special).—Frank Wandle, one of the most successful trainers the Army football team has ever had, having completed his fifth season as trainer of West Point's athletic squads, has just had his contract renewed for three more years, it was announced today.

NAVY BASKETEERS WIN.

Annapolis, (Special).—The Midshipmen five defeated Washington and Lee here, Dec. 21, by a score of 38-26 in a fast game.

On Dec. 17 the Navy five trounced William and Mary's quintet 48-20.

G. U. MAY PLAY NAVY.

In the event that no Army-Navy Game is played in 1928, it is stated that Georgetown University is desirous of scheduling Navy for Nov. 24, the game to be played in Washington, D. C. Invitations to Navy to play on that date have been extended by several colleges. Princeton has been mentioned as a possible opponent although the Tigers generally end their season with the Yale game.

of the Military Ball Committee, reported on plans for the sixth annual Military Ball of the Chapter to be held at Tampa Bay Hotel, Feb. 22.

Following the election of officers, Lt. Col. J. W. Morris, Inf. Res., introduced the guest of the evening, Maj. Gen. R. P. Davis, Commanding the Fourth Corps Area, who addressed the Chapter upon the importance of the Organized Reserves and of their building a strong organization to support the National Defense Act, particularly those portions of it providing for the maintenance of the reserve system, consisting of the C. M. T. C. and R. O. T. C. and the Officers' and Enlisted Reserve Corps.

On motion of Col. Culbreath, properly seconded, after Capt. Hampton had temporarily taken the chair, Major Murphy was given a rising vote of thanks by the Chapter for his valuable services to it during the year.

ROCHESTER RESERVES.

Rochester, N. Y. (Special).—Rochester Chapter, Reserve Officers' Association elected the following officers recently: Maj. L. Stapleton, C. W. S., Res., pres.; Capt. W. A. Joughin, Qm. Res., vice pres.; First Lt. E. McFabian Inf. Res., sec.-treas., and Capt. H. H. pres.; Lt. E. F. Sweet, F. A., Res., sec.; and Capt. E. H. Newton, Inf., Res., treas. Maj. Stapleton succeeds Maj. G. C. Wright. The next luncheon of the Chapter will be held Jan. 5.

SAN DIEGO RESERVES ELECT.

San Diego (Cal.) Chapter, Reserve Officers' Association, has elected the following officers: President, Maj. George W. Fisher, Coast Artillery; vice president, Maj. H. A. Erickson, Air Service; treasurer, Capt. George Moulton, Quartermaster Corps; secretary, Lt. Andrew Boone, Field Artillery; members of chapter council, Capt. William N. Drew, Capt. J. A. Covington, Lt. R. W. Cummings, Lt. E. G. Colby and Lt. E. S. Boudrie. The chapter has 168 members.

Radio Notes

Lt. Col. Thomas J. Dickson, Chaplain General of the Military Order of the World War, will speak next Monday night over WRC at 6:40 o'clock. His subject will be "Christmas on the Firing Line," descriptive of how the soldiers spent Christmas in the Philippines, Mexican border, and during the World War. It will be a tribute to our soldiers.

The only changes in existing naval frequency allocation, which are made necessary by the International Conference of Washington, are:

- (1) Changing 75, 85, and 95 Kcs. for five frequencies between 400 and 485 Kcs. in the Fleet.
- (2) Changing 315 Kcs. to 355 Kcs.
- (3) Possible rearrangement of certain shore station frequencies.

LAKE DESOLATION POPULAR.

COL. CHARLES E. STODTER, U. S. A., has been named an honorary life member of the Lake Desolation Club, Mount Pleasant, N. Y., which is located about twenty miles northwest of Saratoga Springs and affords ideal facilities for hunting, fishing and boating. It is expected that a number of officers of the Services will join as the club offers them an opportunity to spend their leaves in enjoyable surroundings.

The Board of Governors consists of Matt Hinkel, Pres., Ulrich Wiesendanger, Thomas W. Cahill, Dr. William R. Boos, Louis V. Berninger, and John P. Todd, Executive Officer.

CHAFEE SUCCEEDS MARGETTS.

Lt. Col. Nelson E. Margetts, who has been ordered to Chicago, Ill., for duty as the Inspector of the Sixth Corps Area, has been succeeded by Maj. A. R. Chaffee, G. S., as chairman of the Army Central Polo Committee.

Aeronautical Notes

The eight Army officers who completed America's "good will flight" to Pan-American republics a year ago, on Dec. 21 received Distinguished Flying Crosses from Secretary of War Dwight F. Davis at a luncheon in their honor at the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C.

The officers who received the awards were Maj. H. A. Dargue, flight commander; Capt. A. B. McDaniel, I. C. Eaker and Lts. E. C. Whitehead, C. McK. Robinson, M. S. Fairchild, B. S. Thompson and L. D. Waddington.

The attention of the War Department has been called to the question of the danger to ground troops resulting from low-flying airplanes during maneuvers in which units of the Air Corps participate. In view of the fact that in the future Air Corps' participation in such exercises will be increased, the Chief of Air Corps has been directed to prepare regulations which will eliminate any danger to ground troops from low-flying planes. At the present time the Army Regulations set no specific limit as to the distance at which an airplane may approach ground troops.

The new dirtbike that Congress has authorized to replace the Shenandoah should be named the Lansdowne in honor of the commander of the wrecked ship, Commander Zachary Lansdowne, in the opinion of Chairman Butler, of the House Naval Committee.

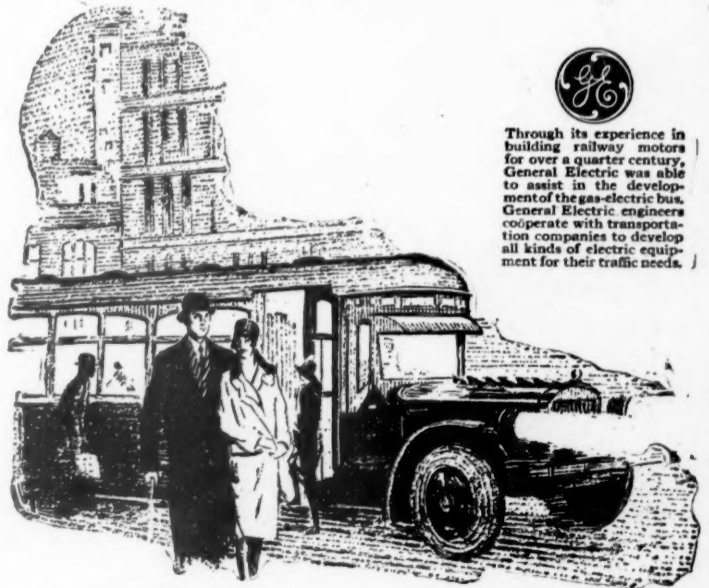
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Letters to Editor

FOR ARMY-NAVY COMPROMISE.

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

1. This morning's press contains a detailed account of proceedings which have led up to a possible ending of football relations between West Point and Annapolis in future due to a difference of opinion at West Point and Annapolis regarding the eligibility rules.

2. Several compromises at once suggest themselves in order to prevent our annual football classic from ending, even temporarily.

(a) "Change the present Annapolis eligibility rule so as to allow a player to engage in varsity football for a maximum total of four (4) years, instead of three (3) years as at present."

This should please the Army and should not work to Navy's disadvantage in athletics in any manner, shape or form. West Point at present has no trouble filling schedules with the best college and university teams.

(b) "Maintain present mutual rule which prevents a plebe from being a member of the varsity team."

3. If these two rules are mutually agreed upon it will be possible for a football player to be a member of a college or university team one year before entering the academies, and three years while at Annapolis or West Point. The three-year rule was adopted voluntarily by the Naval Academy in 1927. Was it the best rule to adopt? There is no strong reason why this rule could not be modified, if necessary, to meet present conditions. The four-year rule, if mutually agreed upon, would be fair to the players, allowing sufficient time to round out a football career.

The present three-year rule at Annapolis is rather too short a period to round out this football career. Some persons even suggest five (5) years as a compromise.

4. Looking at the two rules suggested above from another angle—these rules would automatically eliminate the "Wilsons" from both Academy teams after a year or so on the Service teams. It is thought that the majority of persons interested in these teams, both Army and Navy, will agree that this feature is desirable for Academy athletics.

5. Although the situation is quite serious, something will be done to "save the game." The National importance of this splendid annual event (to Army and Navy) far outweighs the differences in certain eligibility rules from the "local points of view" and a compromise seems at least possible at present. All hands will unite in helping to preserve the fine relations (athletic and otherwise) existing between Annapolis and West Point.

NAVY.

OFFICERS NEED MORE PAY.

Editor Army and Navy Journal:

IN your issue of Nov. 19th I notice that the question of the present inadequate pay of junior officers will be brought up at the coming session of Congress. I hope so, and I'm sure that all officers agree that our junior officers should be better paid and better quartered. But why should this legislation be limited to junior officers? The inference to Congress will be that officers of field grades are adequately cared for.

Is there a colonel, lieutenant colonel or major married and with children in school, without outside sources of income, who is able to live comfortably, properly clothe his family, educate his children and have anything left in the way of a surplus? I don't know of a single case.

I have been on a detail in a civilian community for several years. We have three children in high school. My wife does her own work. We live very carefully, but play the game as an officer's family should when in daily civilian contact. We entertain modestly. We belong to no fast set. We own an average car.

Have we done this on my salary? Not by any means. It took \$1,400 a year in addition to my salary, and the estimate is conservative. Had we eliminated civilian contacts and shut ourselves within our four walls clothing bills could have been cut in half and entertainment reduced to nothing. No doubt the community would have dubbed me a failure and my sojourn here would have been quickly terminated.

Congress and the War Department should readjust the salaries of all officers so that they need not constantly make apologies for their inability to participate in those activities enjoyed by the average civilian.

Is the statutory limit of pay any longer necessary?

MAJOR 24 YEARS' SERVICE.

URGES 25 YEAR RETIREMENT.

Editor Army and Navy Journal:

THERE is at present much talk about the 25 year retirement bill for enlisted men of the Army to be brought before the next session of Congress. It appears reasonably sure that such bill may pass at this time, if it is not handicapped by being attached as rider to another bill, or another bill attached to it as a rider.

More than 20 years ago, when this writer enlisted, it was considered a sure bet that the 25 year bill was going to pass. Ever since then the hopes and beliefs did not change.

The passage of the bill in question would be advantageous not only to the enlisted men, but to the Service as a whole. The promotion for enlisted men to the highest grades is stagnant, possibly more so than for commissioned officers; this bill would reduce this stagnancy.

An enlisted man placed on the retired list is subject to call for active duty when the Nation needs him. His active training during his many years enables him to go right back into his old job, consequently he is an asset to the Service. The pay paid him while on the retired list is money well invested.

Only one clause is suggested for inser-

To Our Readers

THE Army and Navy Journal acknowledges the many cards sent by its friends in the Services and their components, and wishes all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

tion into the bill, that is: An enlisted man who has served 25 years may, upon application, be retired upon his own request, while after 30 years' service he should automatically be retired. This would reduce the stagnancy not very little. It is known that even now enlisted men of the highest grades who have been eligible for retirement under the old law for years are still hanging on and keep the other fellow eligible for promotion down. It is not fair—they should get out of the way. E. A. B.

WE THANK YOU.

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

I take pleasure in sending you check for another year's renewal of the Army and Navy Journal. There is no periodical that has given me more pleasure to read during my entire service than the Journal, and I believe that it is better now than ever before.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and very Happy New Year, I remain,

H. E. MANN.
Lt. Col., Cavalry (D. O. L.)

HUMP, BUMP OR SLIDE.

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

IT is the natural ambition of every man to reach the top in his particular line of activity. In this respect, Service men are not unusual and with them it is especially necessary, as the small active pay precludes saving by men of family, and only the retired pay of the top grades or periods supplies a living income after a life of service.

In normal times, prior to war, the natural attrition caused by deaths, retirements, resignations, etc., furnishes the overflow necessary to insure a fairly steady flow of promotion from bottom to top for those who survive. But after wars of magnitude, like the recent one, this is not the case. The larger number of younger men promoted to and retained in higher grades form a block in the promotion stream which older men in lower grades are unable to pass.

This abnormal obstruction of promotion, known as the "hump," has been the subject of many plans and suggestions relative to its reduction or removal. Most of these seem to be based on the well known principle of the apple or potato sorter, providing a series of loop-holes through which those not measuring up to a certain standard may slide or fall out. Where it's a case of "slide," as by voluntary retirement or resignation, the results are undoubtedly beneficial all around, but if it becomes a case of "fall," it is to be feared that the bruises received will outnumber the benefits received and the "hump" will be worse than the "hump."

In the days of the "hump" which followed the Civil War there was no half way stations between active duty and civilian life. Now, there is the Reserve. Why not use it as such, with easy inclines and traffic both ways? Let any officer, after a certain period of service, be voluntarily furloughed to the Reserve, with full pay for one year and reserve rank one grade above that held upon the active list, and with the privilege of retirement for physical disability contracted in line of duty and incident to service, or of returning to the regular service upon passing suitable examination at end of furlough in rank and position to which his regular service plus active service in reserve would then entitle him.

A similar plan for return from retired list to active list of officers who have voluntarily retired or who have overcome the disability for which retired might also be adopted.

This system, it is thought, might produce the following beneficial results, viz.: A steady flow of promotion from bottom to top of active list, an opportunity for officers to try their abilities in civil pursuits without undue risk, and an improved moral and efficiency of active reserve and retired services.

BY ONE WHO SLID.

TO ARMY CHAPLAINS.

To my Corps

NO MAN has had so rare a privilege as I have enjoyed in directing the organization of a strong, cohesive corps which has been developed from a small group of chaplains each of whom was working in his own way without counsel, suggestion, encouragement or supervision. Ours is a fellowship in service such as no other body of men may enjoy. I shall relinquish my office with the feeling that together we have done some worthwhile things for the Army.

I cannot pass to an inactive status without trying to express in some measure my appreciation of the loyal support that has come from very many sources. It has seemed as though everybody yearned for the strongest possible program of religion for the Army and gave tangible evidence of that desire.

The continuing support of the churches and their auxiliary agencies has made possible many things which could not have been accomplished had the cooperation been less substantial and hearty. There have been many wonderful helpers throughout the years.

There has always been a small inner circle of dear personal friends of means who have delighted to let me do things which could not be reached in any other way. They have added immeasurably to

D. C. Sojourners Elect

At the annual banquet of Sojourners to be held at the Mayflower Hotel January 14, the officers elected for the Washington Chapter No. 3, National Sojourners, will be installed.

The following were elected: President, Col. J. B. Lloyd; Vice Presidents, Maj. Gen. M. W. Ireland, Rear Adm. T. J. Cowie, Maj. Gen. J. A. Lejeune, Capt. L. H. Prince, Lt. Comdr. S. S. Yeandle, and Comdr. E. H. Pagenhart; Secretary, Capt. R. A. Dickson; Treasurer, Maj. E. T. Comegys; Chaplain, Capt. A. C. Oliver.

the success of my undertakings. Most chaplains have a few such supporters.

The opportunity to have become personally acquainted with every chaplain in the Regular Army and most of your families, and to have known nearly all of the Reserve Corps chaplains, scattered as you are, has been a distinct advantage. These contacts have been genuinely helpful.

During the long months of the strain of a serious health menace the visits from my brethren and the many hearty letters, a great sheaf of them, have brightened what might otherwise have been days of despondency. It is not conducive to cheer to be told constantly that one is permanently and may soon be totally disabled.

I shall continue to devote my effort to benevolent, philanthropic and religious enterprises. Among these the advancement of the interests of chaplains will have a large place. Working from without perhaps I can accomplish more than while on active duty. At least the imputation of a selfish motive, the sting of which has been felt too often, will be removed. Until chaplains are accorded the same recognition as all other noncombatant officers we must cultivate sentiment and seek influence to overcome discrimination which we endured in silence too long. The place of religion and the recognition of its ministers must not be secondary in the Army or elsewhere.

To my successor I expect to give that measure of support which the corps has always accorded me. I bespeak for him a large place in your prayers and planning. May you have that abiding faith in God, that deep consecration, that moral earnestness and that unselfish devotion which are essential to the important responsibilities to which you are called. I shall follow you always with most affectionate interest.

JOHN T. AXTON.

ARMY BANDS' WELFARE

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

THERE will be no peace or contentment in the Army line bands until the warrant officer grade is abolished and the old grade of master sergeant is substituted, as it was before the war.

The pay may be raised and separate quarters authorized and other prewar conditions returned but as long as the warrant officer remains there will still be dissatisfaction and lack of harmony.

Furthermore, if it should so happen, though it is unlikely, that the warrant officer becomes commissioned, then you can rest assured that it will be the deathblow to all Army Bands.

Ask any colonel who may have been in command of a regiment in prewar days what the trouble is and he will promptly tell you that it lays entirely with the advent of the W. O., for in the old days the band leader was under the direct supervision of the commanding officer and the regimental adjutant, now it is hard to find out who he is subject to; in fact, it seems that he is a free lance and subject to no authority at all; he can do as he pleases, go where he likes; leave whenever he has a mind to; run the band as he sees fit, and altogether is amenable to no authority whatsoever. That is precisely the reason why the bands are in need of experienced musicians, the old-timers having left in disgust, consequently, their places are taken up with young and inexperienced musicians who don't know what standard music looks like, and are none too good at handling popular music, either.

It was a sad day when during the war Congress felt obliged to commission the band leaders, subsequently they compromised to make them warrant officers. Now they are still complaining; you could offer them more money, but this would not satisfy them, they want a commission, and won't be content till they get it; until this notion is gone they will never settle down to business, and the bands will be below the standard.

The writer has had the experience of 30 years in Army bands, having retired a few years ago. Up till 1912 the bands were living in perfect harmony, now they are just the opposite. The warrant officer may try and explain that it is money, but I assure you it is not; bring them back to their old status and things will change for the better.

WILLIAM A. MADDEN.

URGES ARMY DRESS UNIFORM.

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

THE Ceremony of Guard Mounting staged by a detachment of the Twelfth Infantry and the Army Band on the White Lot recently was, from a tactical standpoint, a delight to be ex-Service men and others who watched it, this in spite of the peculiar "About Face" executed by the acting adjutant and the "whirling dervish" stunt performed by the drum major as a signal for the band to change direction.

The spectacle would have been more ef-

"Dress Parade" Coming

"DRESS PARADE," a Pathe-DeMille special feature production, with William Boyd as the star and captivating Bessie Love as his leading woman, and with scores of West Point Cadets appearing in their support, will be given its official Washington premiere at the Earle Theater, 13th street just below F, beginning Saturday, Dec. 31.

Arrangements are being made now for special nights dedicated to various branches of the military service particularly interested in the showing of the photoplay.

"Dress Parade" was made from the story by Maj. Robert Glassburn and Maj. Alexander Chilton, both graduates of West Point. All the scenes were filmed at West Point, and it is declared to be the first correct drama and romance of West Point put on the screen.

The room occupied by General John J. Pershing when he was a "Plebe" at West Point, was used in the filming of scenes for "Dress Parade."

Pershing's room-mate during his first year as a West Pointer was Cadet William M. Wright, afterwards Major General Wright, and father of Lieutenant Mason Wright, who was assigned by officials of the Academy to assist Director Donald Crisp in the filming of this picture.

Each officer and cadet stationed at the Academy at West Point cooperated with Mr. Crisp and members of his unit to the fullest extent. Scenes were taken of the various buildings, including the Main Administration Building, Cullum Hall; Mess Hall and other points of interest, and at last a real story of West Point has been picturized.

A special stage presentation, with an atmospheric prologue called "A Day at West Point," will be a feature of the official Washington showing at the Earle.

fective had the Army trucks which transported the detachment been parked elsewhere than immediately in front of the formation, thus preventing the automobiles of spectators from parking there, as well as interfering with the view of passing motorists. The weather was gloomy and unpropitious.

But the worst handicap to the excellent marching of the enlisted men and the band's wonderful music was the Olive Drab uniform.

The three essentials of decent living are suitable housing, good food and presentable clothes. The ration allowance of the Army is now comparable to that of the Marines and the Navy. By appeal to the press and the country at large, the housing situation is being steadily, if not rapidly, improved. Improving the dress of the Army is the urgent need which has merely been toyed with by the Department for many years.

The Olive Drab uniform was adopted as a field uniform because of its having the lowest visibility of any color or combination of colors that science and manufacturers could devise. The color, therefore, meant to be as inconspicuous as possible is a positive detraction when made a part of any display.

Herbert Spencer held that clothing was adopted by mankind not as a matter of utility but as a feature of adornment. The handsome specimens of American manhood now composing our Army would gain more attention and applause if attired in breech clouts and head feathers than they can ever in soil-colored clothing, hats, shoes and equipment.

A half-dozen R. O. T. C. students in gray uniforms with sashes and plumed hats who casually assembled in front of the Munitions Building got more attention and approbation than did the Army band and the well-drilled company at a high perfectly presented ceremony on the White Lot the afternoon before.

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U. S. M. A. Candidates

THE following candidates have been designated during the past week for the entrance examination beginning on March 6, 1928, with a view to admission to the United States Military Academy at West Point on July 2, 1928:

Arizona—Rep. at Large Douglas, M. Gillespie, Nogales; K. L. Scherer, 1st alt., Fort Huachuca; R. E. Hunt, 2d alt., Prescott.

Connecticut—4th District, W. T. Halpin, 2d alt., Bridgeport.

Delaware—Senator DuPont, R. D. Glassburn, Wilmington; W. W. Quinn, 1st alt., Wilmington.

Hawaii—Delegate Houston, B. J. Webster, Honolulu.

Illinois—10th District, R. R. Eastman, 1st alt., Winnetka.

Indiana—2d District, L. E. Wade, Elora; W. J. Browder, 1st alt., Martinsville; P. E. Huffman, 2d alt., Vincennes; P. C. Smith, Montgomery; E. E. Alton, 1st alt., Lyons; G. C. Wilson, 2d alt., Elora. 13th District, R. W. Montague, South Bend. 6th District, R. M. Ahl, Centerville; B. A. Bunch, 1st alt., New Castle; C. Gemmill, 2d alt., Greenfield.

Iowa—1st District, H. P. Huglin, Fairfield. Maryland—Senator Bruce, C. A. Robeck, 1st alt., Annapolis.

Michigan—12th District, M. Kovisto, 1st alt., Ishpeming.

Mississippi—Senator Harrison, R. E. Stockstill, 1st alt., Piquette.

New Hampshire—Senator Keyes—R. J. Hunt, 1st alt., Nashua.

Ohio—15th District—R. W. Wells, Nashport; H. W. Basehart, 1st alt., Zanesville.

Rhode Island—1st District, J. A. Gately, Newport; M. Spero, 1st alt., Newport; D. H. Freshman, 2d alt., 504 Broadway.

Tennessee—4th District, H. S. Myers, Jr., 2d alt., Watertown. 10th District, J. W. Seates, 1st alt., Memphis.

Wisconsin—11th District, C. C. Thorpe, Pelican Lake; H. W. Dahl, 1st alt., Spooner.

U. S. A. L.—D. W. Smith, N. Y. Milly Acad. emy, Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y.; J. W. Bowen, Ft. Benning, Ga.; W. B. Porter, Washington, D. C.; G. L. Roberson, Fort Bliss, Tex.

U. S. A. L. (Act 6-8-26) President Coolidge, C. J. Palmer, Seattle, Wash.

National Guard—New York: J. B. Ackerman, Pvt. Co. E, 108th Inf., Watertown, N. Y.; R. D. Black, Jr., Pvt. Troop C, 51st Machine Gun Sgd., New York, N. Y.; N. R. Ford, Pvt. Co. L, 107th Inf., New York, N. Y.; V. B. Coffey, Pvt. 1cl. Co. L, 174th Inf., Niagara Falls, N. Y.; J. A. Cain, Jr., Pvt. 102d Obsv. Sgd., 27th Div. A. S., Stapleton, S. I., N. Y.

Tennessee—T. B. Martin, Pvt. Co. A, 164th Engrs., Nashville.

Mississippi—H. L. Armstrong, Cpl. Co. A, 106th Engrs., Moorhead, Miss.

Iowa—H. R. Everman, Sgt., Centerville, Iowa.

Coast Guard Notes

THE following Coast Guard nominations were confirmed by the Senate on Dec. 19: Rear Adm. F. C. Billard to be commandant; Capt. Q. B. Newman to be commander (engineering); Capt. R. B. Adams to be engineer in chief (for four years).

The following to be lieutenants: C. H. Hilton, J. S. Rosenthal, F. M. Meals, J. W. Kelliher, E. B. Smith, F. D. Higbee, and B. C. Wilcox.

The Coast Guard Destroyer Paulding, damaged in the collision with the S-4, will endeavor to make Boston under her own power, at which port she will be dry docked for repairs. The Coast Guard Cutter Tampa and the Coast Guard Vessel Morrill and Destroyer Tucker will convoy the Paulding to Boston.

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Baltimore (Special).—Capt. Edward L. Kinder, Field Artillery, has resigned and his resignation has been accepted.

Capt. Robert S. Martin and 2nd Lt. Thomas F. McNeal, 5th Infantry, and Warrant Officer Robert V. Lansing, 104th Medical Regiment, have been extended Federal recognition by the Militia Bureau.

The Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry, leads the State's honor roll in average enlisted attendance at Armory drills for November, 1927, with a percentage of 95.68. The company is commanded by 1st Lt. Julian B. Anderson, at Laurel, and is winner of the Regimental banner for the month.

Capt. Edward C. Black, A. C., Instructor, 29th Division Air Service, on Dec. 17 ferried from Dayton, Ohio, to Logan Field, Baltimore, Md., a new Douglas O-2D airplane assigned to the 104th Observation Squadron, Logan Field.

It is announced that His Excellency, the Governor, will receive the officers of the Maryland National Guard at the Executive Mansion on Monday between 12 noon and 1 p. m., Jan. 2.

Maj. Elmer F. Munshower, 1st Infantry, has been ordered to report as a student for the Field Officers' Course, Fort Benning, Georgia, Jan. 3-Feb. 11, 1928. Major Munshower commands the First Battalion, with headquarters at Frederick.

17 GUARD ARTILLERY RANGES.

The War Department has compiled a list which shows that National Guard Artillery units utilized 17 different target ranges throughout the United States for their firing practice. The following table shows each Federally owned camp used by National Guard Artillery units and the State designation of troops which usually have their field training there:

Camp Devens, Mass.—Maine, Massachusetts; Pine Camp, Watertown, N. Y.—New Jersey, New York; Tobyhanna Military Reservation, Pa.—Connecticut, Maryland, Virginia; Fort Bragg, N. C.—North Carolina; Camp Jackson, S. C.—Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee; Camp Knox, West Point, Ky.—Tennessee, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Illinois; Camp McCoy, Sparta, Wis.—Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa, Minnesota; Fort Sill, Okla.—Arkansas, Minnesota, Oklahoma; Fort Bliss, Texas—New Mexico; Camp Lewis, Wash.—Washington; Fort Riley, Kans.—Iowa, Kansas, Missouri; Boise Barracks—Idaho.

NEW YORK.

New York (Special).—Maj. Gen. William N. Haskell, Commanding New York National Guard, will review the 245th Coast Artillery (H. D.), (old 13th), N. Y. N. G., at 8:30 o'clock Friday evening, Dec. 30, at the Armory, Sumner, Putnam and Jefferson Avenues, Brooklyn, N. Y.

RETIRING SERGEANT HONORED.

A delightful ceremony was held in the Quartermaster building at the Army Medical Center recently upon the occasion of the retirement from active service of Mstr. Sgt. James F. Smothers, Q. M. C., U. S. Army. As a token of their friendship and good wishes in his well earned reward the Quartermaster personnel presented him with a table service set of Community silver. Mstr. Sgt. Smothers had been on duty at this station for the past six years where, owing to his unfailing courtesy, helpfulness, and his desire to be of service, he had made a host of friends who wish him every success in the future.

OBITUARIES

Announcement of deaths should be addressed to Editorial Office Army and Navy Journal, Architects Building, Washington, D. C.

CONCERNING the death of Rear Adm.

W. H. G. Bullard, U. S. N., ret., Capt. Edwin T. Pollock, U. S. N., ret., has written the following appreciation:

The many notices of the untimely death of Rear Adm. Bullard, U. S. N., ret., last month gave what is generally known of him and of his naval career and of his work in the radio field. Much more than space would allow can still be told, but few even in the Navy, realize what he did for that service and for the United States as well. His "Naval Electricians' Text and Hand Book," in 1904, of 550 pages, proved of so much use in the increased use of electricity on board ship, that revision and enlargement occurred several times, until it is now in two large volumes with a total of over 990 pages—one volume being on theory and one on practice. His reorganization of the Electrical Department at the Naval Academy in 1907-1911 was most noteworthy, and the "practical work" instruction such that it applied to appliances in use on board the ships to which the midshipmen and the instructors would go.

How he found time to do all that he did was never understood for he seemed to have leisure for sports and was never too busy to give attention to the many requests for information.

When the history of the World War is

Births, Marriages and Deaths

BORN.

ADAMS—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 21, 1927, to Capt. and Mrs. Frederick W. Adams, U. S. A., a daughter.

BLAIR—Born on Dec. 2, 1927, at Washington, D. C., to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Roswell Hadfield Blair, U. S. N., a son, Arthur Hadfield Blair.

COOMBS—Born at Tripler General Hospital, Honolulu, T. H., Nov. 21, 1927, to Lt. Raymond H. Coombs, 11th Field Artillery, U. S. A., and Mrs. Coombs, a daughter, Doris Allen.

DICKMAN—Born at Honolulu, T. H., Nov. 27, 1927, to Lt. Charles T. Dickman, C. E. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Dickman, a daughter, Margaret Joan.

FRIZZELL—Born to Capt. and Mrs. L. C. Frizzell, 2nd M. G. Squadron, U. S. A., a daughter, Constance Ellen, at Masonic Hospital, El Paso, Tex., on Dec. 10, 1927.

GREENE—Born at Boston, Mass., Dec. 13, 1927, to Capt. Richardson L. Greene, F. A., D. O. L., U. S. A., and Mrs. Greene, a son.

HOPKINS—Born at Community Hospital, Medford, Ore., to Lt. and Mrs. Frederick W. Hopkins, Marine Res., a son, Frederick William.

KING—Born to Major and Mrs. Archibald King, U. S. A., a son, Francis, at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1927.

MALONE—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 15, 1927, to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. William J. Malone, U. S. N., a daughter.

MAPLES—Born at Emergency Hospital, Annapolis, Md., Dec. 14, 1927, to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Houston L. Maples, U. S. N., a son.

RAYNER—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 18, 1927, to Maj. and Mrs. Harold M. Rayner, U. S. A., a daughter.

SEIFERT—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 18, 1927, to Capt. and Mrs. Charles W. Seifert, U. S. A., of Camp Meade, Md., a son.

SMITH—Born to Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Lybrand Palmer Smith, U. S. N., a son, Lybrand Palmer Smith, Jr., on Dec. 21, 1927, at Garfield Hospital, Washington, D. C.

TILTON—Born at Fort McPherson, Ga., Dec. 15, 1927, to Major and Mrs. Rollin L. Tilton, I. G. D. (C. A. C.), U. S. A., a daughter, Ann de Koven Tilton.

MARRIED.

BEYETTE-MOFFAT—Married in Washington, D. C., Dec. 19, 1927, Miss Jessie Idanthea Moffat, daughter of Mrs. Jessie Emerson Moffat, of Washington, to Capt. Hubert W. Beyette, U. S. A., son of Mrs. Eustace A. Beyette of Fort Worth, Tex.

BILISOLY-STEWART—Married at Elgin, Ill., Nov. 17, 1927, Miss Virginia Margaret Stewart and Capt. Walter E. Bilisoly, U. S. M. C.

CARNEY-KIBLER—Married in Riverside, Calif., Dec. 17, 1927, Miss Natalie Kibler and Lt. James V. Carney, U. S. N.

HEPBURN-MACGILL—Married in Howard County, Md., Dec. 15, 1927, Miss Eleanor Watkins Macgill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion P. Macgill of Ellicott City, Md., and Mr. Arthur J. Hepburn, Jr., son of Capt. and Mrs. Arthur J. Hepburn, U. S. N.

JASPERSON-WRENN—Married at Washington, D. C., Dec. 23, 1927, Miss Katherine Wrenn and Lt. Robert E. Jasperson, U. S. N.

JORDAN-CHERRY—Married in New York City, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1927, Miss Helen Jean Cherry, daughter of Mr. James R. Cherry of New York, to Lt. Lewis Payson Jordan, U. S. A.

JUDSON-BREWSTER—Married in Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 17, 1927, Miss Gwendolyn Brewster, daughter of Mrs. Henry Langdon Brewster, of Rochester, and Lt. Charles Henry Judson, U. S. N.

MCDILL-CLINTON—Married in Mill Valley, Calif., Dec. 20, 1927, Miss Helene Clinton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Smith Clinton, and Ens. Alexander Stuart McDill, U. S. N.

MORRISSEY-DUNN—Married at Los An-

finally written quite some space will be given to how, as representative of the United States, he brought about the surrender of the Austro-Hungarian vessels to the United States.

Probably the most outstanding accomplishment in his radio work was in 1919, when, before a group of business men representing the General Electric Co. and others, he made a plea before them for the retention of the patents of the Alexanderson alternator in this country.

His address was not recorded, but on the table was a check for \$5,000,000 and a contract ready to be signed. His plea was for the retention of the patents. "With those patents in this country the United States will be the foremost nation in the world in the radio field. Without them we will be nowhere." "Can you afford to let them go?" etc., etc.

The leader arose: "Admiral, we have heard your plea. Here is our answer." And the check and the contract were torn in pieces. "Now, what shall we do?" "Organize your own company." That was the birth of the Radio Corporation of America which is the foremost radio company in the world.

Adm. Bullard's ability to see both sides of a question, to see the remedy and to convince those concerned of the best way to do was remarkable. In Manila, as resident manager of the Federal Corporation, of Delaware, and on other business in 1925, he found two radio companies at war, spending their capital and energy in the fight. It was not good for either company nor particularly for the country and the people interested. He went to both sides, and to make a long story short he got the two companies to combine. In recognition of his services they made his president of the new company, but as soon as it was running he resigned and went about his other business.

It was only after his death that many things became known, for he was never on one to push himself or to sound his own praises. By his deeds was he known.

So, there has passed away the one who did more for the radio world than any one else in the United States, leaving hosts of friends, old and young.

geles Calif., Miss Katrina Van Rensselaer, daughter of Col. and Mrs. John M. Dunn, U. S. A., to Melvin Morrissey.

PRATHER-GOWEN—Married at Fort Hayes, Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 23, 1927, Miss Elizabeth Lucille Gowen, daughter of Col. and Mrs. James B. Gowen, U. S. A., to Lt. Richard Givens Prather, U. S. A.

RODGERS-BIDDLE—Married at San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 23, 1927, Miss Frances Biddle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Hiestler Biddle of San Francisco, to Ens. James Hunter Rodgers, U. S. N., of San Pedro, Calif.

TYREE-HADDOX—Married in Woodside, Md., Dec. 21, 1927, Miss Eleanor Haddox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bolivar Haddox, of Silver Spring, Md., and Ensign David Merrill Tyree, son of Capt. and Mrs. Amos Tyree, U. S. A., now stationed in Honolulu.

WESTERVELT-LANGHORNE—Married at Windwood, Albemarle County, Va., Dec. 20, 1927, Miss Rita Langhorne, daughter of Mrs. Daniel Allen Langhorne, of Virginia, to Capt. George Conrad Westervelt, U. S. N., retired.

DIED.

AXBERG—Died as the result of an airplane accident near Corunna, Ind., Nov. 29, 1927, Capt. Edward Axberg, A. C., Washington, N. G.

BERLIN—Died at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., Dec. 15, 1927, as a result of injuries sustained in a polo game at Fort Brown, Tex., Dec. 11, Capt. Paul C. Berlin, 12th Cav., U. S. A.

CRITENDEN—Died at Washington, D. C., Dec. 21, 1927, Lt. Col. John J. Critenden, U. S. A., retired.

CROMWELL—Died in Washington, D. C., Dec. 20, 1927, Mrs. Lizzie S. Cromwell, widow of Rear Adm. Bartlett J. Cromwell.

DE COEN—Died at Fort Sill, Okla., Dec. 14, 1927, Maj. Emile George De Coen, F. A., U. S. A.

HARRIS—Died at the Post Hospital, Fort Benning, Ga., Dec. 10, 1927, as a result of appendicitis, Sergeant Sam Harris, Co. F, 24th Inf., U. S. A.

LARIMORE—Died at San Diego, Calif., Dec. 14, 1927, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident, Charles Larimore, aged 16, brother of Lt. John P. Larimore, U. S. N. He was a student at the San Diego Army and Navy Academy.

LISTOE—Died at East Radford, Va., Dec. 12, 1927, Col. Soren Listoe, father of Maj. Alexander E. Listoe, U. S. A., ret.

MURPHY—Died at Fort Winfield Scott, Calif., Dec. 17, 1927, Lt. Col. John Burke Murphy, C. A. C., U. S. A.

RANKIN—Died at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 18, 1927, Capt. George Rankin, Infantry, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Jay, N. Y.

RICHARDSON—Died at New York City, Dec. 11, 1927, Mr. Charles A. Richardson, father of Mrs. Latimer, wife of Rear Adm. Julian L. Latimer, U. S. N.

STEELE—Died Dec. 19, 1927, at Owings Mills, Md., Comdr. John Murray Steele, M. C., U. S. N.

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PERSONALS

THE Secretary of War, Hon. Dwight F. Davis, will be the guest of honor at the next monthly Quartermaster luncheon to be held at the Carlton Hotel, Washington, D. C., at 12:30 p. m., Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1928.

The second of the series of Navy and Marine Corps dances will be held at the Willard, Washington, D. C., on Jan. 4, 1928.

The annual meeting and dinner of the New Jersey Commandery, Military Order of Foreign Wars, held in Newark, was the largest attended and most enthusiastic gathering this Commandery has held for some years.

The list of speakers included Brig. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, Gen. Pershing's Chief of Staff; National Chaplain Gill Robb Wilson, of the American Legion, and Comdr. William Seaman Bainbridge, National Commander of the Military Order of Foreign Wars. Gen. Drum gave some interesting sidelights of his experience during the World War. Chaplain Wilson pleaded for an enlarged aviation service, and Comdr. Bainbridge asked for more active support by members of the Order in affairs American.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, Col. Alvin H. Graff, East Orange, N. J.; Vice Commander, Lt. John A. Brogan, Jr., Ridgewood, N. J.; Secretary, Lt. Frederick H. Walter, Elizabeth, N. J.; Treasurer, Col. William B. Martin, Elizabeth, N. J.; Registrar, Maj. John D. Leonard, Elizabeth, N. J.; Chaplain, Capt. Roberts Williams, Bordentown, N. J.; Surgeon, Col. John H. McCullough, Trenton, N. J.; Judge Advocate, Capt. Donald D. Hand, Elizabeth, N. J.; Delegate at Large, Col. Allen B. Wallace, Summit, N. J.

On Dec. 15, in the radio broadcasting studio of the Army Band, Mr. Henri L. LeRoy, internationally famous clarinet soloist, gave a recital to an intensely interested and appreciative audience. The audience, composed mainly of students from the Army Music School and members of the Army Band and the other service bands in Washington, were invited to this musical treat by Capt. Stannard, leader of the Army Band, and were thrilled by the brilliant playing of Mr. LeRoy. Immediately following the recital Mr. LeRoy, accompanied by Mr. Kurt Hetzel, equally famous as symphony conductor, played three solos which were broadcast through the Blue Network of radio stations. At a later date Mr. LeRoy will appear as soloist on another radio program, accompanied by the band. This recital, together with others by well known artists, is the result of Capt. Curtis D. Alway's, (Commanding Officer, the Army Band), efforts to present the best there is in music to the radio audience.

Yellow and orchid were the favored colors in the decorative scheme, when Mrs. L. O. W. Moore, wife of Capt. Moore, Medical Corps, U. S. A., Fort Russell, Wyo., was hostess recently to a number of friends of the Post and in Cheyenne, honoring Mrs. D. E. Aultman, wife of the Commanding officer of the garrison.

A charmingly arranged luncheon was served at tables adorned with pompons and button mums in the chosen colors, and afterwards cards were played. Mrs. W. F. Starnes and Mrs. Joseph Wasserman of Cheyenne, and Mrs. T. P. Bull of the post, received the attractive prizes for high score, and Mrs. Aultman was presented with a guest favor.

The guest list included Mmes. D. E. Aultman, J. C. Como, Clyde E. Jump, Francis M. Rich, Louis Armstrong, J. L. Roady, John F. Preston, William F. Robinson, T. P. Bull, C. C. Anderson, K. R. Strother, F. L. Munson, W. F. Mackin, Orlando Ward, R. H. Dixon and Edgar A. Jarman of the Post; Mmes. T. Blake Kennedy, John H. Conway, Douglas Fuller, Harold Kerrigan, Joseph Wasserman, H. H. Wolfer, W. F. Starnes, Miss May Cody, Miss Jessie Jones and Miss Celia O'Boyle, of town.

On Friday evening, Dec. 16, Capt. and Mrs. Everett M. Graves entertained at their quarters at Fort Harrison, Ind., with an attractive supper party complimenting Mrs. Charles O. Wiseloge, a recent bride in the 3rd Field Artillery.

The color scheme was carried out in the Christmas suggestions; the large table in the dining room having as its centerpiece a small Christmas tree surrounded by red cathedral tapers in silver holders.

Shoulder knots of poinsettias arranged at each lady's place by red chiffon ribbons, extending from the tree, were the favors. The smaller tables in the drawing room were similarly arranged, the guest of honor having a corsage of red carnations as her favor.

Capt. and Mrs. Graves had as their guests besides Lt. and Mrs. Wiseloge, Maj. and Mrs. John P. Edgerly, Maj. and Mrs. Lester C. Ogg, Maj. and Mrs. Brown S. McClintic, Mrs. J. T. Boone, Capt. Stacy Knopf, Capt. and Mrs. William S. Evans, Capt. and Mrs. George R. Middleton, Capt.

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Interesting Service Women

Mrs. M. C. Williams Settle

MRS. MAY C. WILLIAMS SETTLE, journalist and correspondent, widow of Lt. J. A. Settle, U. S. A., is another of the many women to whom members of the Services may "point with pride." She is the author of "Our Service" quotation calendar for 1928, which is dedicated to the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, National Guard, Coast Guard and Organized Reserves. As its name implies, it carries an inspiring quotation for every day in the year. Mrs. Settle is a well known writer, having contributed articles to a number of prominent magazines and newspapers. She has been on the staff of the Cable News American, and Manila Times of Manila, P. I., Pacific Commercial Advertiser and Hawaiian Star of Honolulu, T. H., the Renacimiento of Manila, P. I., and for some time was associate editor of The Army and Navy-Union Journal of Columbus, Ohio. Her first literary work was on the Army and Navy Register, and she has been a contributor to the Army and Navy Journal for 24 years.

Mrs. Settle was born in San Antonio, Tex., the daughter of Gen. and Mrs. Thomas G. Williams, and was educated in private and public schools of San Antonio, and at the Female Academy and Austin graded schools of Austin, Tex. She attended the Philippine Island Normal School, Manila, and the University of Hawaii at Honolulu. In 1894 she married Joseph Andrew Settle of Virginia and Texas, who was made a lieutenant in the U. S. Army in 1916 by Congress. Lieutenant Settle was the third Civil Service Clerk in the Quartermaster Department who qualified for this honor. He was taken out of Civil Service status and made an officer with only 199 others, with the rank of first lieutenant, Field Clerk, U. S. A., Q. M. C.

This charming journalist resided for over 10 years in the Orient and has traveled around the world, her present home being at the Lafayette Hotel, Washington, D. C. She has one son, Lt. T. G. W. Settle, U. S. N., who graduated number two in his class at the U. S. Naval Academy. Lieutenant Settle, U. S. N., was a Presidential appointee to the Naval Academy, while his grandfather, General Williams, for whom he was named, was a Presidential appointee to the Military Academy.

Mrs. Settle is a member of the League of American Pen Women, Women's National Press Association, Daughters of American Revolution, Army and Navy Chapter; Pen Women of San Antonio, Tex.; National Geographic Society; O. E. S. of Honolulu, T. H., and Biological Society of Washington.

(Next week the Army and Navy Journal will print an interesting personality sketch of Mrs. Jack Hayes, widow of Colonel Hayes, U. S. A.)

and Mrs. Frank Barber, Lt. and Mrs. Arthur L. Shreve, Lt. and Mrs. Carl E. Berg, and Lt. and Mrs. Foster J. Tate.

After supper the guests attended the formal reception and hop given at the Officers' Club for Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Jamerson.

Mrs. Barth, widow of Brig. Gen. Charles H. Barth, U. S. A., will take over her old home in Washington, D. C., at 2036 O Street, upon her return early in the New Year from a visit with her eldest son in Auburn, Ala.

Capt. A. B. McCormick, U. S. A., and his family are stopping at the Hotel Schuyler, New York City for a week or so.

Maj. and Mrs. James N. Peale, U. S. A., entertained with a dinner at the Young Hotel in Honolulu the night of the Army and Navy game. Their guests were Maj. and Mmes. A. E. Brown, Raymond V. Cramer, John F. Crutcher, Douglas C. Cordiner, Capt. and Mmes. Hubert V. Hopkins, William A. Ellis, Lt. and Mrs. Doris Hazelhurst, Miss Louise Cordiner and Maj. Lathe B. Row.

Mrs. Luella Burroughs, who arrived recently from California, to make her home in San Antonio, Tex., is visiting Mrs. Alma G. Powell at the San Gabriel Apartments, 126 East Woodlawn Ave. Mrs. Burroughs, who formerly lived in San Antonio, will be at home after the early part of January at 911 West Gramercy Place.

Dr. Frank Bohn, special feature writer for the New York Times, gave an exceedingly interesting lecture on "Following the News" at the meeting of the Woman's Club, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., on Dec. 14. Preceding the lecture, Mrs. John H. Stutesman, president of the Club, announced that the Woman's Club now has 257 members, the largest membership in the history of the organization.

After the lecture, the Club entertained in honor of Dr. Bohn at a tea at the Officers' Club. Mrs. Amanda Porter of Leavenworth, Kans., Mrs. Frank Keller, and Mrs. William D. Geary, presided at the tea table and were assisted in serving by Mmes. John Hatch, William M. Hoge, Guy B. Denet, Edgar B. Colladay, C. H. Tenney, Robert A. Velschmer, William H. Cureton, Andrew P. Sullivan, D. A. Davison, Clarence L. Sturdivant, William C. Moore and Thomas F. Taylor.

Maj. and Mrs. John Hale Stutesman entertained at dinner at their home that evening in honor of Dr. Frank Bohn, their guests including Col. and Mrs. George L. Byroade, Maj. and Mrs. William R. Gruber and Miss Louise Hook of Leavenworth, Kans.

The Regimental Band, First Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla., Warrant Officer Charles B. Tyler, U. S. A., bandleader, played the following program during the week of Dec. 12 to 16, inclusive: March, "Primus aut Nullus," Tyler. (Respectfully dedicated to the officers and enlisted men of the First U. S. Field Artillery.) Fox trot, "Side by Side," Woods. Overture, "Poet and Peasant," Suppe. Air Varie for Concert, "My Old Kentucky Home," Goldman. (Please Turn to Last Page.)

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 23, 1927.

THE Chief of Staff and Mrs. Charles P. Summerall will be joined today by their son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. C. P. Summerall, Jr., who will come from Fort Hoyle, Md., to pass Christmas with them.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Harry M. P. Huse, U. S. N., retired, will entertain at a New Year's Eve party at 2400 Sixteenth St.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Willard H. Brownson, U. S. N., retired, have gone to Newport, R. I., to pass the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Capt. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hart, U. S. N.

Mrs. Colden L. H. Ruggles, wife of Brig. Gen. Ruggles, U. S. A., was elected president of the Guadalupe Club at its annual meeting held on Dec. 19.

Lt. Herbert B. Kirkpatrick, U. S. A., of Fort Hoyle, Md., will pass the holidays with his parents, Col. and Mrs. Thomas J. Kirkpatrick, at their home.

The Chief of Naval Operations and Mrs. Charles F. Hughes have with them their daughter, Mrs. Otto Nimitz, and her small son, who will be their guests for several months.

Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee, wife of Col. Lee, U. S. A., will leave today to motor to West Point to pass the holidays with her son, Cadet Fletcher Cole, of the U. S. Military Academy, rejoining Colonel Lee at their Wardman Park apartment on Dec. 31.

Cadet E. Korhler Daley, of the first class at the U. S. Military Academy, will spend Christmas with his parents, Maj. and Mrs. E. L. Daley in Washington. Mrs. Daley will go to West Point after Christmas to visit their younger son, Cadet J. P. Daley, a member of the fourth class.

There will be a tea dance at the Army War College mess Dec. 27 for young people of the military and naval services and guests. Cadets and midshipmen on Christmas leave have been especially invited.

FORT BENNING, GA.

December 22, 1927.

ONE of the most attractive regimental bridge parties held this season was given by the 24th Infantry at the Polo Club. The increased attendance necessitated the holding of the monthly bridge parties in larger quarters than the Officers' Mess. The Polo Club had gone to considerable pains to make it most attractive. Ladies' first prize was won by Mrs. A. B. Helsley. Ladies' guest prize was given to Mrs. Laura Maude Heberd. Ladies' cut prize to Mrs. W. W. Jenna. Gentlemen's first prize to Major E. Ormonde Power. Gentlemen's second prize to Capt. A. B. Helsley. Hostesses, Mrs. E. L. Lyons, Mrs. K. L. Berry and Mrs. R. C. Sanders.

Miss Dorothy White, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. E. M. S. Steward, was given a most charming farewell dance by Capt. and Mrs. Steward at the Polo Club on Wednesday, Dec. 14. The club was beautifully decorated especially for the occasion. Sgt. Scipio's orchestra of the 24th Infantry furnished excellent music. In the receiving line were Capt. and Mrs. E. M. S. Steward, Mrs. C. Melvin Doolittle, Miss Dorothy White and Miss Hellen. (Continued on Next Page.)

WEDDINGS

THE wedding of Miss Felicia Chisolm and Lt. George P. Howell, Jr., U. S. A., which was solemnized at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. John, Manila, P. I., on Thursday evening, Nov. 3, 1927, was the most charming Manila has witnessed in some time.

The bride is the daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Edward N. Chisolm, U. S. A., of South Carolina, at present stationed in Manila, and the bridegroom is the son of Col. and Mrs. George P. Howell, U. S. A., of Charleston, S. C. Lt. Howell is of the 1923 class of West Point.

The cathedral was attractively decorated with palms and the dainty white blossom of cadena de amor. The colors and color guards of the 14th Engineers and of the 31st Infantry were posted on the left and right of the chancel rail. Benny and Tommy Smith, daughters of Capt. and Mrs. Bernard Smith, were ribbon bearers; the little girls were dressed in ruffled frocks of yellow organdie.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. C. Bellis, rector of the cathedral, and the bride was given in marriage by her father. Mrs. Benjamin F. Few, of Manila, a cousin of the bride, most attractively gown in pink chiffon and with a shower bouquet of pink roses, was matron of honor. Frenchie Hagood, daughter of Gen. and Mrs. Johnson Hagood, and Betty Boles, daughter of Maj. and Mrs. John Keith Boles, were flower girls, and made a charming picture in their frocks of billowy blue organdie as they scattered rose petals in the path of the bride. Mrs. Chisolm wore a gown of green crepe, ornamented with sequins.

Lt. James E. Bowen, a classmate of Lt. Howell, was the best man. The groomsmen, who formed the traditional arch of swords down which the wedding party passed were: Capt. Charles P. Lynch, Charles A. Robinson, Capt. Frank L. Burns, Lt. Lewis A. Day, Lt. Dan Chandler, Lt. Thomas E. Lewis, Lt. Frank Dorn, and Lt. Paul W. Wolf.

The bride was a dream of loveliness in a gown of ivory satin with a close-fitting bodice and long, full skirt, trimmed with rose point lace. Her veil was arranged in a coronet effect secured by a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white orchids and cadena.

Mrs. George A. Bicher played the wedding march, and Maj. John K. Boles sang "I Love You Truly."

A reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Few followed the ceremony. The grounds were illuminated with gayly colored lights, and the newest member of the 31st Infantry received the felicitations of her friends to the music of the regimental band. The wedding cake was decorated with the castle of the Engineers and the crossed guns of the Infantry, but the beauty of the decorations did not stay the bride's hand, and she carved the cake with her husband's sabre, after immemorial Army custom.

The punch bowl, containing Capt. Chisolm's adaptation of the Chatham Artillery Punch, which is a punch of authority whose recipe is a closely guarded secret, was presided over by Mrs. Max Tyler and Mrs. Bernard Smith, assisted by Misses Betsy Sladen and Louise Hickman.

At some time during the reception the bride and bridegroom disappeared to spend a two-week honeymoon in Baguio. Lt. and Mrs. Howell are occupying quarters in Fort Santiago, Manila, until their departure, in February, for their new station, Fort Eustis, Va.

ENGAGEMENTS

CAPT. CHARLES PHILIP SNYDER, U. S. N., and Mrs. Snyder announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Betty Lee Snyder, to Ens. Ethelbert Watts, U. S. N. Ens. Watts is the son of Mrs. W. A. Rambo and the late Mr. Ethelbert Watts, of Philadelphia, and the brother of Capt. William Carlton Watts, U. S. N., naval attaché at the American Embassy in London. Ens. Watts was graduated from the Naval Academy in the class of 1924. Miss Snyder is passing the winter in Annapolis with her mother and sister, Miss Jane Snyder.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Eleanor Burbank, daughter of Mrs. William Freeman Burbank, of San Francisco, Calif., to Capt. James Daniel Colomy, U. S. M. C., attached to the U. S. S. Idaho. No date has been set for the wedding, but it will take place early next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Coates Walton, of Merchantsville, N. J., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, and Lt. Thomas H. James, U. S. A., son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. James, of Bishopville, S. C. Lieutenant James is a graduate of West Point, Class of 1926, and is now stationed at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina.



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ANNAPOLIS, MD.

December 23, 1927.

THE annual Christmas dance given by the Regiment of Midshipmen took place Saturday evening in Dahlgren Hall and was one of the gayest and largest of the season's affairs. A number of dinners were given before the dance.

Capt. and Mrs. William F. Halsey entertained in their quarters on the Renia Mercedes and with their guests attended the dance later in the evening.

Capt. and Mrs. Henry Dinger also were among the dinner hosts and attended the dance afterward.

Mrs. Ridgely Melvin was hostess to a company of forty for bridge on Thursday afternoon of last week at her home on the South River in honor of Mrs. Charles Tyndell, of Memphis, Tenn. Mrs. Hallam Claude and Mrs. Rockwell, wife of Comdr. Francis Rockwell, presided in the dining room.

Major Philip H. Torrey, U. S. M. C., and Mrs. Torrey were dinner hosts on Friday evening of last week, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Blount Mason, of Baltimore, who were their guests.

FORT BARRANCAS, FLA.

December 22, 1927.

SOCIETY was largely represented on Dec. 2 at the post pavilion when the officers and ladies of the post entertained at a large dance. Capt. and Mrs. G. W. Ames, and Lt. and Mrs. J. E. McGraw were the hosts for the evening. Several dinner parties preceded the hop, at one of which Capt. and Mrs. J. E. Harrison entertained for their guest, Miss Charlotte Slaughter, of Talladega, Ala., when covers were laid for 16. Capt. and Mrs. A. A. McDaniel also were hosts for 16 guests.

Capt. and Mrs. E. B. Wharton gave a bridge dinner on Dec. 1, having as their guests Col. R. W. Collins, Lt. and Mrs. A. D. Whitaker, Lt. and Mrs. W. V. Davis, and Lt. E. C. Parker, U. S. N.

The Evening Bridge Club was entertained on Dec. 1 at the Officers' Club, Maj. and Mrs. W. Singles and Lt. and Mrs. J. E. McGraw were hosts.

Mrs. C. A. Valverde entertained with a bridge tea recently, honoring Mrs. W. V. Davis, the recent bride of the post. There were four tables at play, and six tea guests joined them.

Capt. and Mrs. E. B. Wharton have as their guest Miss Thelma Murray, of Mobile, Ala.

Lt. and Mrs. W. V. Davis entertained at an informal party at their quarters on Dec. 13 for Miss Murray, of Mobile.

Mrs. W. Singles gave a lovely luncheon recently at her quarters. A miniature tree formed the center for the perfectly appointed table.

Capt. and Mrs. J. E. Jeffords recently entertained at a bridge party for Miss Slaughter. There were four tables at play.

The Afternoon Bridge Club was entertained recently by Mrs. E. B. Wharton and Mrs. J. E. Harrison. Mmes. J. E. Jeffords and E. O. Bartoe won the prizes.

Maj. Walter Singles and Walter, Jr., have returned from two weeks' stay in New York. Maj. and Mrs. Singles entertained informally at a dinner on Sunday, Dec. 11, honoring Col. H. S. Wagner, U. S. A., who recently arrived in Pensacola to make an annual inspection of local harbor defenses. Covers were laid for 10 guests.

FORT BLISS TEX.

December 22, 1927.

ONE of the most elaborate teas of the season was given recently by the Officers and ladies of the 82nd Field Artillery in honor of Mrs. Hensley, mother of Lt. W. R. Hensley, who has recently arrived on the Post from Paris to visit with her son. The club rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion. The tea tables, which were presided over by Mrs. Milton Hall and Mrs. John Tyndall, were ablaze with crimson candles. American beauty roses centered the tables. Major A. L. P. Sands greeted the guests as they arrived and was assisted in receiving by the guest of honor, Mrs. Irvin D. Offer, Major Hall and Lt. Hensley.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles R. Carlson entertained with a dinner in the Carlson quarters recently for Capt. and Mrs. John M. Reynolds, Capt. and Mrs. Lewis Hershey and Capt. and Mrs. Irving D. Offer.

Mrs. Charles R. Carlson entertained with a bridge luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

The officers and ladies of the 82nd Field Artillery will entertain with a buffet supper in the Field Artillery Officers' Club on Dec. 23 in honor of Lt. and Mrs. Barge D. Gill who were married a short time ago.

The children of the Fort Bliss Kindergarten recently gave their first program before a large number of parents and friends who were present. The children sang a group of twelve songs which was interspersed with folk dances. In the last number the children donned Indian costumes and in true Indian fashion ventured into an imaginary wood from which place they were pursued by a big black bear. Herbert Hacking made a most realistic bear, a little too realistic for some of the children whose ages are from three to five years. Those who took part in the program were: Herbert Hacking, Anne Cooley, Ann Carey, Higgs, Marion Zoloff, Eleanor Rieni, Dorothy D. Alling, Jacqueline Imboden, Susanne Yerby, Patricia Wyman, Jackie Johnson, Joseph Whitaker, Minor Lile, George Hershey, Harry W. Benson, Jr., Jimmy Gagne, and Kenneth Isaac.

Capt. and Mrs. Philip H. Sherwood have as their guests Mrs. Arthur M. Sherwood and Miss Rosamond Sherwood, of New York City, mother and sister of Capt. Sherwood. Mrs. Arthur Sherwood is a noted painter and recently gave an exhibition of her paintings at the Woman's Club. The Desert Art Shop also exhibited

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a number of Mrs. Sherwood's paintings recently. She paints under the name of Rosina Emmet Sherwood.

The officers and ladies of the Second Machine Gun Squadron presented Lt. and Mrs. William Peyton Campbell with a lovely silver sandwich plate upon their arrival on the Post from Little Rock, Ark., at which place they were married on Nov. 19. The plate bears the Coat of Arms of the Second Machine Gun Squadron.

Capt. and Mrs. Robert P. McComb have issued invitations to a bridge supper in the McComb quarters on Christmas Eve.

FORT MONROE, VA.

December 22, 1927.

THE formal dinner dance held at the Officers' Club on Dec. 9 was unusually well attended, a number of guests from dinners given at private homes attending the dance later in the evening. Those reserving tables at the club were Lt. Col. Frank Geere, who entertained for thirty-five guests; Major Eli E. Bennett and Mrs. Bennett, who had twenty-five guests; Capt. Henry B. Holmes and Mrs. Holmes, who presided at a table for thirty-two; and Lt. Clarence M. Mendenhall and Mrs. Mendenhall whose guests numbered thirty.

Col. Robert S. Abernathy and his mother, Mrs. Anna Abernathy, left Monroe on Dec. 17 for Hawaii, where Colonel Abernathy will be on duty. On Friday evening, Dec. 16, Capt. and Mrs. Henry B. Holmes gave a large dinner at the Officers' Club for Colonel Abernathy; and on Saturday evening, Dec. 10, Capt. and Mrs. Homer Case entertained at their home with a dinner for Col. Abernathy.

Before the informal dance at the Officers' Club on Dec. 16 the instructors of the department of tactics of the Coast Artillery School and their wives gave a dinner at the club for the student officers of the Field Officers' course and their wives. Places were laid for seventy-nine guests, and Mrs. Matthew A. Cross, in charge of the arrangements for the dinner, was assisted by Mmes. Francis P. Hardaway, Felix E. Gross, Avery French, Randolph T. Pendleton, Claude M. Thelle, Walton H. Walker and George M. Meyer.

Preceding the informal dance at the Officers' Club on Dec. 16 Major Sherman Miles and Mrs. Miles entertained at dinner at their home for Col. Arthur S. Conklin and Mrs. Conklin, Major James H. Cunningham and Mrs. Cunningham, Major Eli E. Bennett and Mrs. Bennett and Lt. George H. Bardeley and Mrs. Bardeley.

Major and Mrs. Walton H. Walker have as house guests Mrs. Walker's sister, Mrs. Edward H. Hicks, and Major Hicks, who is stationed on a National Guard detail at Hutchinson, Kans. On Dec. 8 Mrs. Walker entertained for Mrs. Hicks at a bridge-luncheon for twenty-four guests, given at the attractive Colony Inn, Hilton Village. On Dec. 11 Major and Mrs. Walker gave a formal "at-home," when one hundred guests were invited to meet Major and Mrs. Hicks.

On Dec. 12 Major Francis P. Hardaway and Mrs. Hardaway gave a dinner at their home for twelve guests, complimenting Major Edward H. Hicks and Mrs. Hicks. The following day Mrs. Homer Case entertained at a luncheon at her home, with Mrs. Hicks as the honored guest; and in the evening Lt. Col. Archibald H. Sunderland and Mrs. Sunderland entertained 12 guests at dinner for Major Hicks and Mrs. Hicks.

COROZAL, C. Z.

December 22, 1927.

ON Saturday, Nov. 26, a party of one hundred and ten Army officers with their wives and friends, assembled at the Century Club, Panama, in response to invitations extended by Lt. and Mrs. Gullatt, Lt. H. Spear and his mother, Mrs. E. H. Spear, of Corozal, Canal Zone.

Football, printed in gold letters on heavy grey paper, with lacing in black, were mailed to the prospective guests to convey the information that they were invited to a luncheon, given on the occasion of the Army and Navy game to be held at the Polo Grounds, New York. The decorations of the tables, which were arranged in the form of a "U," emphasized the same idea. Long strips of green, with yard lines extended all the way down their centers, to represent the football field, while miniature goals (one decorated in Army colors, the other in Navy colors) were built near the ends. Gold colored cosmos outlined the green effect. The head table represented Reserved seats, the other tables the balconies of a grand stand. Place cards were in the form of admission tickets (duly numbered, lettered and dated); the coupons of these tickets were sent to the invited guests, who presented them at the door, to the ushers, Lts. Canan, Seelen and Dunn, who found their corresponding tickets placed in front of black and grey colored miniature baskets of salted almonds. When all the guests had been placed, Lt. Rice led the "Long Corp Yell" in which everybody joined, as this was a signal to rise and cheer for the Army. Fort Amador Orchestra furnished music throughout the luncheon. At the conclusion of the luncheon, the guests remained to receive the radio returns of the game.

NOTES FROM HAWAII

December 3, 1927.

Fort Shafter.

MAJ. GEN. AND MRS. WILLIAM R. SMITH entertained at dinner on Dec. 1, having as their guests Governor and Mrs. Wallace B. Farington, Bishop John D. LaMothe, Rear Admiral and Mrs.

George R. Marvell, Col. and Mrs. James McE. Husym, U. S. M. C.; Col. and Mrs. Thomas S. Bratton, U. S. A.; Maj. and Mrs. A. E. Randall, U. S. M. C., and Mrs. George B. Davis.

Col. and Mrs. Thomas S. Bratton entertained at dinner on Dec. 3, having as their guests Col. and Mrs. Dana T. Merrill, Col. and Mrs. Carroll D. Buck, Maj. and Mmes. Hugh Mitchell, Douglas C. Cordiner and Capt. and Mrs. David A. Watt.

Capt. and Mrs. Edward O. Strickler entertained at dinner on Dec. 1, having as their guests Col. and Mrs. Thomas S. Bratton, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Robert M. Blanchard, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Walter Fraser, Capt. and Mmes. Harold P. Sawyer, Silas W. Williams, Leroy D. Soper, John W. Cleave, Aubin T. King, Lt. and Mrs. Willard D. Barton, and Col. Douglas F. Duval.

Maj. and Mrs. Raymond V. Cramer entertained at dinner on Dec. 2, having as their guests Lt. Col. and Mrs. Frank L. K. Laflamme, Maj. and Mmes. Hugh De Valin, Arthur R. Rowland, A. E. Brown, James N. Peale, Douglas C. Cordiner, and Dr. and Mrs. Lucius F. Badger.

Capt. and Mrs. Hubert V. Hopkins were dinner hosts on Nov. 24, honoring Lt. Col. and Mrs. John H. Howard. The other guests were Lt. Col. and Mrs. John O. Steger, Maj. and Mrs. Earl North, Maj. and Mrs. Henry Miller, Capt. and Mrs. Fabian Pratt, Lt. and Mrs. John S. Griffith, Mrs. George Stowers, Miss Marjorie Metcalfe, Maj. Percy E. Van Nostrand, and Capt. A. J. Regnier.

FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZ.

December 20, 1927.

ON Wednesday, Nov. 30, Capt. and Mrs. R. C. Gibbs entertained with a bridge supper for Col. and Mrs. Scherer, Maj. and Mrs. Hazeltine, Mrs. Goodwyn, Capt. and Mrs. Hurt, Capt. and Mrs. Redner, Capt. and Mrs. Hawley and Lt. Scherer. The ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Redner, Col. Scherer winning the gentlemen's prize.

Col. and Mrs. Scherer surprised their son, Lt. Harris Scherer, with a dinner in honor of his birthday on Thursday evening, Dec. 1. Covers were laid for twelve.

Lt. and Mrs. Frank G. Trew and small son arrived on Thursday for station from Fort Bliss, Tex., where Lt. Trew has been on duty with the 7th Cavalry. They are the house guests of Lt. Theis.

Mrs. Helen James, of Mt. Olive Station, Pittsburgh, Pa., is the house guest of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas, wife of Lt. Fred C. Thomas.

Mrs. Clyde Pickett has returned from Phoenix where she spent a week visiting her mother.

Maj. Stanley Koch is instructing the ladies' riding class every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning in preparation for the Horse Show to be held during Christmas week.

Miss Jean Keatley, of Pennsylvania, spent a week as the guest of Lt. and Mrs. Charles Fike.

Mrs. George Claussen has returned from Chicago where she spent two months with her parents, Col. and Mrs. Howard R. Perry.

Mrs. H. Jordan Theis has been called to her home in Flint, Mich., by the illness of her father.

Capt. and Mrs. Wallace J. Redner were hosts at dinner recently at the dinner dance at the Officers' Club. Covers were laid for fifty-four guests. The table was lovely with large bowls of mistletoe and white candles. A party of six motored over from Tombstone for the dinner dance.

Maj. and Mrs. Koch had as their guests for dinner last Monday evening Col. and Mrs. Rethorst, Capt. and Mrs. Osterman and Miss Osterman, Capt. and Mrs. Hurt, Lt. and Mrs. Trew, Miss Wells and Lts. Barnes and Asenio.

FORT SNELLING, MINN.

December 17, 1927.

MRS. LEONARD J. GREELEY, of Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, left last week for San Francisco, to sail for Honolulu, after spending two months with her parents, Col. and Mrs. P. H. McAndrew. On Nov. 28 Mrs. C. E. Anderson gave a bridge-luncheon complimenting Mrs. Greeley. Yellow shaded chrysanthemums in small crystal baskets adorned the small tables; a corsage of pink roses, violets and pale yellow baby chrysanthemums was at the place of the honor guest. There were 16 guests present.

Among the children on the post who recently gave birthday parties were: James Fowle, son of Capt. and Mrs. D. G. Fowle, who celebrated his seventh birthday; Jackie Newell, son of Lt. and Mrs. H. F. Newell, had his fifth natal anniversary, and Billy White had a party on his eighth birthday at quarters of his parents, Lt. and Mrs. Orion L. Davidson.

Red candles and chrysanthemums were decorations at the D. B. Crafton quarters on Dec. 3 when they gave a bridge-dinner for 26 guests. This was the second of a series of parties Major and Mrs. D. B. Crafton are giving.

Red roses and matching tapers formed the centerpiece at the dinner party which Major and Mrs. A. L. McCoy gave on Dec. 1 at their quarters. Places were marked for 12 guests.

Major and Mrs. McCoy will have as their guest during Christmas their son, Arthur Moss McCoy, who is a junior at Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta, Ga.

Cadet Bing Kunzig, of West Point, will spend his Christmas vacation with his parents Major and Mrs. Lewis Kunzig, of Minneapolis.

FORT RILEY, KANS.

December 23, 1927.

MRS. L. W. OLIVER entertained at a sewing party for the ladies of the 2nd Cavalry recently.

Mrs. Charles G. Harvey entertained at bridge, Dec. 9, for Mrs. McConaughy, Mrs. Duncan Richart's mother.

Capt. and Mrs. W. V. D. Ochs were hosts at a buffet supper, Dec. 10, for Maj. and Mrs. J. B. Thompson, Capt. and Mrs. Hobert Gay, Capt. and Mrs. C. S. Miller, Capt. and Mrs. R. E. S. Williamson, Capt. and Mrs. I. G. Walker, Capt. and Mrs. J. J. Bohn, Capt. and Mrs. L. A. Sprinkle, Mrs. Larned, Lt. and Mrs. Stillinger, Lt. and Mrs. Wightman, Lt. and Mrs. Dewey, Lt. and Mrs. Callicut and Mr. Myles.

Col. and Mrs. C. G. Harvey entertained at dinner, Dec. 10, for Col. and Mrs. R. J. Fleming, Maj. and Mrs. Elkin Franklin, and Capt. and Mrs. R. A. Blair.

Mrs. Miller was hostess to the Mah-Jongg Club, Dec. 5. The guests were the Mmes. T. K. Brown, W. M. Grimes, D. S. Perry, Jack Heard, Hobert Gay, Rogers, Gibson and Mrs. Rathjean, of Fort Leavenworth.

Maj. and Mrs. Gilbreath were hosts at dinner, Dec. 6, before the Music Club program for Col. and Mrs. L. W. Oliver, and Maj. and Mrs. E. M. Whiting.

Mrs. H. W. Hall entertained at bridge luncheon in honor of Mrs. McConaughy.

Mrs. J. B. Wise entertained at bridge, Dec. 9, for Mmes. Murphy, Thayer, Miller, Anderson, Lawrence, MacDonald, Frakes, Stall, Stillinger, Mudgett, Wightman, Dewey, Tompkins, Sancomb, and LeRoy Stuart.

Lt. and Mrs. Morrison entertained at dinner at the Bridge Tea Room, Dec. 6, before the Music Club. Their guests were Maj. and Mrs. Henry Arnold, Maj. and Mrs. Duncan Grant Richart, Maj. and Mrs. Sidney Bingham, Capt. and Mrs. Willoughby, Capt. and Mrs. Dean, and Mrs. R. E. McConaughy.

Maj. and Mrs. W. W. West were hosts at a very delightful dinner, Dec. 9, for Gen. and Mrs. Charles Symmonds, Col. and Mrs. S. R. J. Fleming, Col. and Mrs. R. M. Parker, Col. and Mrs. Copley Enos, and Maj. and Mrs. Jack Heard.

Mrs. Duncan Richart entertained at a delightful tea, on Dec. 8, in honor of her mother, Mrs. McConaughy, of Salt Lake City. The guests were Mmes. Lippincott, Milton, Mashburn, Larned, Callicut, Mandell, Parks, Kemp, Murphy, Anderson, Miller, Kleopher, Bingham, Ochs, Shufelt, Franklin, Crowley, Williamson, Turner, Buckley, Gibson, sr., and Mrs. Higley, who poured.

Capt. and Mrs. Kloepper were hosts at dinner, Dec. 10, for Maj. and Mrs. D. G. Richart, Capt. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, Capt. and Mrs. E. F. Dukes, Mrs. McConaughy, Lt. and Mrs. Tompkins, and Capt. Minton.

Mrs. Paul Stewart gave a bridge party, Dec. 6, for Mmes. Vorhees, Gyles, Merrill, Rexford Willoughby, M. U. Turner, Thompson, Sam Walker, Mears, and Miss O'Brien.

NORFOLK, VA.

December 23, 1927.

CHRISTMAS festivities among the Navy Circle at Norfolk, Va., will be more numerous this year than in many seasons previous. In addition to three Navy girls, who are among the Norfolk debutantes, many other young people whose fathers are stationed at the Naval Operating Base at Hampton Roads, the Naval Hospital and the Navy Yard are returning from College to spend the holidays with their parents and will occasion scores of parties, teas and dances until time for their return.

Miss Katherine Zalesky, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. W. J. Zalesky, will be hostess at a dance on the evening of Dec. 26 at the home of her parents at the Naval Hospital. On Dec. 27, Capt. and Mrs. H. P. Perrill will entertain at their home in the Navy Yard at a dinner followed by a dance in Building 16 in honor of their daughter, Miss Martha Perrill, a student at Goucher and their son Ens. Knox Perrill. On Dec. 29, the commanding officer and officers of the U. S. Naval Hospital will entertain at a dance in the Red Cross building, Naval Hospital grounds and the same evening Capt. and Mrs. W. J. Zalesky will entertain at a dance for their younger daughter, Elizabeth. An interesting event of Friday evening, Dec. 30 for the members of the college set will be the tea dance given by Capt. and Mrs. Bower Patrick for the Misses Patrick, Bower Patrick, jr., and Midshipman Serpell Patrick. The lyceum at the Naval Base will be decorated for the occasion and about one hundred and fifty invitations have been issued. Saturday evening, Dec. 31, Capt. and Mrs. George Seibels will be hosts at a supper at their home on Westover Avenue preceding the dance at the Norfolk Country Club in honor of their daughter, Miss Mabel Seibels, who is returning home from New York, and also for Mrs. Seibels' niece, Miss Anna Taylor, a debutante of the season.

Capt. and Mrs. Cecil Sherman Baker were hosts on Dec. 20 at the Lyceum at the Naval Base at a dance in honor of their daughter, Miss Eleanor Holley Baker, one of the debutantes of the season. The lower floor was artistically arranged with Christmas greens, red candles and flags and the guests were received by the hosts and guest of honor. Those dancing numbered about two hundred.

Another event of the week was the debutante ball on Thursday evening, Dec. 22, given by Capt. and Mrs. William N. Jeffers for their daughter Lucie and also in honor of Miss Frances Stansbury de tante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stansbury of Norfolk. The affair was held at the Lyceum and about three hundred and fifty

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FINANCIAL DIGEST

By a Market Expert.

A PROSPEROUS year for the radio industry is forecast by Col. David Sarnoff, Vice President and General Manager of the Radio Corporation of America, in a statement on the 1928 prospects for radio. He said:

Out of the experience of the past year four main factors of importance to the continued prosperity of the radio industry emerge quite clearly:

First, is the technical progress of the art, resulting in the development of the new AC tubes, which have made possible direct and complete socket power operation of receiving sets, as well as the very marked improvements in other types of radio receiving equipment. Because of the popular interest attaching to the art, radio receiving equipment has been sold to a large extent, to a radio-wise public. The latest achievement of the industry, particularly in perfecting socket power operation, confidently may be expected to bring the "waiting" public into the buying market in 1928.

The improvement evident in the most modern receiving sets, I believe, will do much to stimulate business throughout the year. The standard of performance set by present-day equipment is too high to leave the public content with most of the radio receiving sets introduced in the earlier years, so that a constantly growing replacement market may now be foreseen.

Second, is the development of nation-wide broadcasting, to which the Radio Corporation of America has had the privilege to contribute in the formation of the National Broadcasting Company. The fact is not only important for itself, but for the other network organizations stimulated thereby, and the very notable improvement in radio programs which competition in service insures.

Third, I believe, is the extraordinary public interest that will attach to radio in the coming year because of the Republican and Democratic National Conventions. Political events of this character illustrate better than anything else that radio is more than an entertainment service, that it is a humanizing force which in a crisis or an important national event can draw the whole nation to the fireside.

Fourth, in number but not in importance, is the splendid work of the Federal Radio Commission. This Commission has brought order out of impending chaos in the air. It is effectively policing the channels of space and is giving the radio listening public of the country the deserved opportunity for unimpeded reception of the musical, educational and informational features which radio brings to the home.

These facts are the sign posts of a prosperous radio year in 1928. They should enable distributors and dealers to choose intelligently the lines which they can most profitably handle; to determine the best character of service that their customers require, and to make plans to tie up their sales appeals with the best program features in their prospective territories.

What Congress Thinks

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stubborn Army mule to meet the Navy goat on an equality, I fear for the best interests of the sport."

Representative Hamilton Fish, New York, said:

"It is not the interest of football, or the Academy, to solicit appointments for outstanding college stars and then permit them to play an additional three years at West Point," said Mr. Fish. "Captain Wilson, of this year's West Point team, has been playing college football for several consecutive years, and Captain Hewitt, of last year's team, has similar record."

Four-Year Limit Plan.

"If West Point will not accept the three-year rule adopted at Annapolis and practically all the big colleges, I suggest limiting former college players to a total of four years on varsity teams as a compromise. There certainly must be some friendly compromise out of the present deadlock between the two academies."

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The sixteenth regular class of the Finance School, Washington, D. C., came to a close Dec. 17, when thirty students were graduated and returned to their respective stations. The principal address at the closing exercises were delivered by Col. F. W. Coleman, Finance Department, Assistant Chief of Finance, who stressed upon courtesy in the Service as a prerequisite in all dealings with civilian and military personnel, and who also gave out the diplomas.

Maj. O. W. Gralund, The Commandant of the School, congratulated the class on the high standard of excellence they had maintained and on their diligent application and sense of duty which was rewarded by the issuance of diplomas they had earned.

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In the Navy: Capt. Lyman Passmore; Comdr. W. C. Espach, R. W. McDowell; Lt. Comdr. H. McL. Walker; Lts. I. M. Hansen, A. L. Davis, E. I. Richards, W. E. Lankens and C. J. Cooney; Ens. E. S. Karpe, J. S. Smith, Jr., L. H. Stuart, G. M. Whitson, H. H. Fottle, M. L. Abele, B. E. Wilson and B. P. Montaguff, U. S. N., and Lt. G. D. Chappell, U. S. M. C.

KING COMMENTS ON GENEVA.

KING GEORGE V, in his speech of prorogation to parliament this week, commenting on the Geneva Parley said Britain had no intention of increasing its naval program.

1,534 midshipmen at Annapolis, and I believe the proposal I have suggested would tend to equalize the slight difference in numbers. Besides, the age limit at West Point is two years older, which is a great advantage as far as football material is concerned.

"I am sure the graduates of both institutions deplore the break in athletic relations and together with the American people want no stone thrown to patch up these existing differences."

"The Military and Naval academies have both contributed much to the development of American football, and have likewise produced great players and coaches. Captain Jones, the present Army coach, and Commander Ingraham, of the Navy, are among the ablest coaches in the country."

"I believe that the Army team was superior to any in the East or West at the end of this year's season. The Army was at its height the day it trimmed the hitherto unbeatable team from Notre Dame, 18 to 0."

"The Cadets had the best pair of tackles and backfield combination of any team. Last year the Army and Navy tied for the championship, 21 to 21, in the famous game played before over 100,000 at Chicago. The football traditions of the two academies are well worth preserving."

"I would also like to suggest that athletic authorities at West Point arrange to play one important game on its home grounds, as no big games have been played since Syracuse was dropped last year. It is only fair to the people in the vicinity of Newburgh, Beacon and Poughkeepsie, who have for years longed that they be afforded an opportunity to see at least one important game played each year in the new stadium at West Point."

"It is to be hoped in case there is no Army-Navy game next year, that the Army will arrange a big game in its place at West Point as the present schedule calls for games with Harvard, Yale and Notre Dame, all to be played away from West Point."

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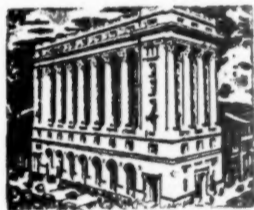
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Bills in Congress

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6482, Mr. James, to authorize the moving of explosive ammunition in Hawaii.

6521, Mr. Wurzbach, to equalize the base pay of enlisted men of the Army and Navy.

6522, Mr. Wurzbach, to equalize the base pay of the enlisted men of the Army and Navy.

6523, Mr. Wurzbach, to readjust the allowances of retired enlisted men in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

6524, Mr. Wurzbach, to equalize the pay status of certain officers of the Army with corresponding officers of the Navy.

6583, Mr. Butler, to facilitate awards of contracts for the purchase of motor vehicles for the Naval establishment.

6587, Mr. Edwards, authorizing the President to present in the name of Congress a medal of honor to Capt. F. O'D. Hunter.

6588, Mr. Edwards, authorizing the President to present in the name of Congress medals of honor to Lts. C. C. Champion and W. V. Davis, Jr.

7194, Mr. Vinson, to authorize the adjustment and settlement of claims and damages to and loss of private property.

7195, Mr. Vinson, to provide for the purchase of horses and mules for the Military Establishment.

7209, Mr. Butler, to provide for the care and treatment of naval patients on the active or retired line, in other Government hospitals when naval hospital facilities are not available.

7210, Mr. Darrow, to remove the limitation on retirement of officers in the Naval Dental Corps.

7214, Mr. Kelly, authorizing the Secretary of War to dispose of obsolete aeronautical equipment to accredited schools, colleges, and universities.

7216, Mr. Updike, to repeal section 1445 of the Revised Statutes of the U. S.

7219, Mr. Furlow, to amend section 1, act of March 2, 1907 (34 Stat. 1217).

7363, Mr. Hoffman, giving retired officers credit for active service performed since retirement.

7364, Mr. Hoffman, giving retired officers credit for active service performed since retirement.

7368, Mr. Denison, to authorize the payment of compensation to retired warrant officers and enlisted men employed by the Panama Canal.

7384, Mr. Crall, to authorize the appointment of Q. M. Sgt. J. Imhof, second grade, retired U. S. Army, to quartermaster sergeant, first grade, retired, U. S. Army.

7385, Mr. Crall, to authorize the appointment of Staff Sgt. C. Mingus, retired, U. S. Army, to master sergeant, retired, U. S. Army.

7386, Mr. Cooper, authorizing the President to appoint R. H. White to the position and rank of major surgeon in the U. S. Army and immediately retire him with the rank and pay held by him at the time of his discharge.

7396, Mr. Fish, authorizing the President to order R. B. Barnitz before a retiring board for a hearing on his case and upon the findings of such board determine whether or not he be placed on the retired list with the rank and pay held by him at the time of his resignation.

7409, Mr. Kendall, for the appointment and retirement of J. J. Campbell as a captain, U. S. Army.

7727, Mr. Morin, to authorize employment of hostesses for temporary duty at C. M. T. Camps.

7748, Mr. Morin, to authorize appropriations for the disposition of remains of mili-

tary personnel and civilian employees of the Army.

7750, Mr. Morin, to restrict expenditures from the annual appropriations for the Organized Reserves, except for medical officers and nurses.

7751, Mr. Morin, to authorize the free issue of surplus or reserve uniforms and other equipment or material of the C. M. T. Camps, and to limit the cost of stocks furnished by the War Department.

7752, Mr. Morin, to limit the issue of reserve supplies or equipment held by the War Department.

7753, Mr. Morin, to authorize the disbursement of an accounting for the appropriation, "Pay, etc., of the Army," as one fund.

7755, Mr. Morin, to restrict expenditures from the appropriation "Military supplies and equipment for schools and colleges."

7757, Mr. Morin, to authorize reimbursement of travel expenses of officers for instruction purposes in connection with the Engineer school.

7758, Mr. Morin, to authorize the employment of consulting engineers for the Air Corps and the Ordnance Department.

7924, Mr. Wainwright, to prohibit the training of any person after his twenty-fourth birthday in the C. M. T. Camps.

7926, Mr. James, to place a retired officer of the Army on the retired list as a major general.

7929, Mr. Furlow, to give military status and discharges to the members of the Russian Railway Service Corps, organized by the War Department under authority of the President for service during the war with Germany.

7932, Mr. Houston, to authorize \$65,000 appropriation for construction at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

7937, Mr. Furlow, to authorize mapping agencies of the Government to assist in preparation of military maps.

7938, Mr. Furlow, to regulate sales by utilities in the Army.

7939, Mr. Furlow, to authorize settlement of damages to persons and property by Army aircraft.

7944, Mr. Moore, to authorize \$80,000 appropriation for construction at Fort Humphreys, Va.

7947, Mr. Davila, for the relief of officers and enlisted men of the U. S. Military forces who served in Porto Rico from May 26, 1900, to April 23, 1904.

8105, Mr. Morin, to provide for the membership of the Board of Visitors, U. S. Military Academy.

8129, Mr. Wurzbach, to provide for appointment as warrant officers of the Regular Army such persons as would have been eligible therefore but for the interruption of their status caused by military service rendered as commissioned officers during the World War.

8147, Mr. Morin, to provide for the retirement of Army officers after 36 years' service.

8148, Mr. Morin, to provide for the transfer from the active list of the Army of promotion-list colonels.

8149, Mr. Morin, to combine the limited and unlimited retired list of the Army into one list.

8150, Mr. Morin, to provide for a system of examination for promotion of officers of the Army.

8151, Mr. Morin, to define the promotion-list officers of the Army and to prescribe the method of their promotion.

8152, Mr. Morin, to provide for the selection and appointment of chiefs and assistant chiefs of branches of the Army.

8153, Mr. Morin, to prescribe the compensation of officers of the Army who are separated from the active list because of their classification in Class B.

8154, Mr. Morin, to provide for the final classification of officers of the Army who are placed in Class B.

8155, Mr. Morin, to provide for a general personnel board for the Army.

8156, Mr. Morin, to provide for voluntary transfer from the active list of the Army of promotion-list officers appointed on or before July 1, 1920.

8157, Mr. Morin, to authorize the President to fix the percentages of enlisted men of the Army in the sixth and seventh grades.

8158, Mr. Morin, to provide for retirement of officers of the Army who have had 40 years' service or are 60 years of age.

8159, Mr. Morin, to remove restrictions regarding freedom of retired Army officers to accept employment or civil office.

8160, Mr. Morin, to provide for the transfer from the promotion list of the Army a sufficient number of officers to make the total separation for each year equal to 4 per cent of the whole number of the promotion-list officers.

8162, Mr. Almon, to authorize the appointment of R. W. Autry as a second lieutenant, U. S. Army.

House Resolution.

H. Res. 55, Mr. McClintic, directing the Speaker of the House of Representatives to appoint a select committee to investigate the activities of the U. S. Navy.

PRIVATE SERVICE BILLS.

Senate.

63, Mr. Gillett, to authorize Capt. C. A. Abele, U. S. N., to accept the Order of Polonia Restituta, grade of chevalier, from the Government of Poland.

121, Mr. Shortridge, to reimburse the members of Company B, California Engineers, in the aggregate amount personally expended by them for the U. S. Army equipment.

124, Mr. Shortridge, for the relief of Major A. A. Padmore.

132, Mr. Shortridge, to authorize the President to appoint LaR. K. Pemberton a 1st lieutenant, O. R. D., U. S. Army.

135, Mr. Shortridge, to authorize the appointment of Capt. M. M. Cloud, retired, to

the grade of major, retired, in the U. S. Army.

149, Mr. Shortridge, for the relief of Capt. DeWitt Blamer, U. S. N., retired.

192, Mr. Reed, to provide posthumous promotion to 1st Lt. W. T. Fitzsimmons.

193, Mr. Reed, for the relief of Capt. W. B. Finney.

197, Mr. Reed, for the relief of Capt. G. M. Thompson.

1495, Mr. Shortridge, for the relief of Med. Inspr. R. R. Richardson, U. S. N.

1513, Mr. Robinson, granting travel pay and other allowances to certain soldiers of the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection who were discharged in the Philippines.

1556, Mr. Deneen, making eligible for retirement under the same conditions as now provided for officers of the Regular Army, A. R. Hedstrom, chaplain, an officer of the U. S. Army during the World War, who incurred physical disability in the line of duty.

House.

1390, Mr. Lampert, for the relief of Major L. L. Lampert.

1535, Mr. MacGregor, for the appointment of W. J. Martin as a captain in the Judge Advocate General's Office, U. S. Army.

1618, Mr. Michener, for the relief of 1st Lt. J. R. Bailey, Q. M. C.

1879, Mr. Purnell, authorizing the award of the Distinguished Service Cross to 1st Lt. S. M. Grayson.

2033, Mr. Snell, granting a pension to Major Fuller.

2649, Mr. Johnson, authorizing the President to reappoint J. P. Pence, formerly an officer in the Signal Corps, U. S. Army.

3676, Mr. Schafer, for the relief of Lt. H. C. Weber, M. C., U. S. N.

4068, Mr. Haugen, for the relief of Lt. R. T. Cronau, U. S. Army.

4075, Mr. Hoffman, for the relief of Comdr. U. R. Webb, U. S. N., and others.

4106, Mr. Kahn, to provide for the advancement on the retired list of the Army of Major A. S. Rowan.

4258, Mr. Strong, to authorize credit in the disbursing accounts of certain officers of the Army of the U. S. and for the settlement of individual claims approved by the War Department.

4574, Mr. Kelly, to define promotion status of J. E. McNamany, Lt. (j. g.), Chaplains Corps, U. S. N.

4577, Mr. Kendall, for the appointment and retirement of J. E. Wright as a lieutenant, U. S. Army.

4706, Mr. Anthony, granting permission to Capt. T. L. Johnson, U. S. N., to accept a brevet and medal of the French Legion of Honor, tendered by the President of the French Republic.

4766, Mr. Butler, for the relief of C. J. Anderson, former commander, U. S. Naval Reserve Force.

4767, Mr. Butler, for the relief of Paymaster C. R. O'Leary, U. S. N.

4770, Mr. Burdick, for the relief of Lt. T. J. Mulcahy, Supply Corps, U. S. N.

4827, Mr. Curry, providing for the promotion of Chief Pharmacists L. O. Schetky, U. S. N., retired, to the rank of lieutenant, Medical Corps, on the retired list.

4920, Mr. Garrett, to authorize the Secretary of War to award a Nicaraguan campaign badge to Capt. J. P. Williams in recognition of his service to the U. S. in the Nicaraguan campaign of 1912 and 1913.

4985, Mr. Gifford, to authorize the appointment of 1st Lt. C. E. Burt, retired, to the grade of captain, retired, in the U. S. Army.

5233, Mr. Ragon, making eligible for retirement under the same conditions as now provided for officers of the Regular Army, Capt. O. A. Barber, an officer of the U. S. Army during the World War, who incurred physical disability in line of duty.

5385, Mr. Wood, to authorize the appointment of Major W. A. Ross, retired, to the grade of major, retired, U. S. Army.

5389, Mr. Wood, to authorize the appointment of 1st Lt. J. W. Scott, resigned, to the grade of 1st lieutenant, retired, in the U. S. Army.

5390, Mr. Wood, authorizing the Secretary of War to confer a medal of honor upon Major Gen. O. Bundy, of the U. S. Army, retired.

6149, Mr. Cohen, to allow the Distinguished Service Medal for service in the World War to be awarded to Major A. R. McAlilly.

6253, Mr. Jacobstein, for the relief of H. Johnston, late Lt. (j. g.) Supply Corps, U. S. N. Res.

7067, Mr. Deal, authorizing the appointment of L. W. Dear as infantry officer, U. S. A.

7068, Mr. Deal, authorizing the appointment of H. L. Lee as artillery officer, U. S. A.

7070, Mr. Deal, making eligible for retirement under the same conditions as now provided for officers of the regular naval service, Lt. Comdr. W. A. Hamilton, an officer of the U. S. Naval Res. Force during the World War, who incurred physical disability in line of duty.

7107, Mr. Fort, for the relief of J. Golden, chief master at arms, U. S. N., Ret.

7131, Mr. Kerr, to allow the distinguished medal for service in the World War to be awarded to Capt. K. C. Towe.

7166, Mr. Strong, to allow credit in the accounts of disbursing officers for the Army of the United States on account of refunds made to purchasers of surplus war supplies.

7328, Mr. Whitehead, granting permission to Comdr. J. James, U. S. N., to accept the decoration of the Legion of Honor tendered him by the Republic of France.

SENATE CONFIRMS NOMINATIONS.

A large number of Army, Navy, Marine and Coast Guard nominations were confirmed by the Senate on Dec. 19, 1927. These included the general officers mentioned in previous issues of the Army and Navy Journal.

Pershing Praises Root

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our General Staff in that conflict. It was his conception of the role of the General Staff that formed the basis of the system that we followed.

Developed General Staff.

Here was a civilian whose ability developed for the military branch of the Government the organization which was essential for its successful operation. It is true that Mr. Root had the advice of students of war, like Major General William H. Carter, and others, but after all, it was his grasp of the subject, his discernment, his power to coordinate that eventually brought the form of organization that recently stood the stress of responsibility under which it labored.

Of course, in order to have a General Staff which would function with the efficiency of a machine, it was necessary to have officers specially trained in the science of war. To fill the gap that existed between our military schools and a highly trained official personnel, he created the Army War College, with regulations under which officers of special aptitude could be enrolled for its courses. Most of our commanders and the higher staff officers in France were graduates of the War College. Thus, by inaugurating this institution fourteen years before the World War, Mr. Root made it possible to provide a staff personnel unsurpassed in any army which was prepared to do its part in the greatest war of history.

I wish there was time to speak further of the many splendid things which Mr. Root did in the War Department, not to mention his achievements in the State Department, and in the walks of civil life, of which others have spoken. Always a leader in the councils of the political party to which he belongs, he was not in any narrow sense a partisan, but his affiliations were based upon the fundamental principles of patriotism. In a democracy like ours parties are necessary, and all patriots, especially those of us who think as he does, must admire this superb form of partisanship. It was the interest of the nation that swayed his course. Because of his life and services, our people are broader minded and better qualified to fulfill their obligations. As time goes on, this outstanding figure of a man will assume larger proportions in his high place among the truly great Americans.

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Promotion Hearing Soon

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In 1920, U. S. Military Academy graduates, provisional appointees from the ranks, civil life, etc. Officers of all categories submitted their views and recommendations to these local boards.

The reports of local boards were referred to a General Personnel Board of five representative general officers appointed to submit recommendations.

The senior member of the Board, Maj. Gen. Mason M. Patrick, was Chief of the Air Corps, is a graduate of the U. S. Military Academy, and an officer of long service in the Corps of Engineers.

Maj. Gen. Hanson E. Ely is a graduate of the U. S. Military Academy, and an officer of long service and broad experience in the line.

Maj. Gen. Robert H. Allen served two years as an enlisted man prior to being commissioned, and as Chief of Infantry represents a large branch comprising officers of all categories.

Maj. Gen. Preston Brown served three years as an enlisted man prior to being commissioned, has served in both line and staff, and is now a corps area commander.

Brig. Gen. Ewing E. Booth served as a volunteer officer during the Spanish American War and is therefore representative of officers who have entered the Army by way of service in temporary war forces. He has had long service in the line and when appointed to the board was Commandant of the Cavalry School.

I am transmitting herewith the report of the board of general officers which includes definite recommendations in the form of a bill.

Should hearings be held the members of the board are available to appear before your committee.

The proposed legislation has been submitted to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, who advises that so much of the report as provides a cash consideration, other than as now provided by law, to officers separated from the service, and the provisions of Section 9 of the draft of bill submitted are in conflict with the financial program of the President.

An officer makes the following comment on the promotion study:

In response to your request to comment on the promotion report and proposed bill prepared by the Board of General Officers the following is submitted from a Colonel's viewpoint and also one who is not a graduate of the U. S. Military Academy:

It is noted that generally throughout the bill years of commissioned service are made the basis of the provisions for separation from the service of all grades, except in Sec. 6 for the proposed revision of R. S. 1243 where it is "years in the service." It is assumed that officers as a rule in taking advantage of this provision would do so to engage in other business outside. It is not believed that the average age when graduates from the U. S. Military Academy receive their commissions differs materially from the average age of those commissioned from the ranks or from civil life. Taking the average age of being commissioned as twenty-three years and two years' enlisted service for men commissioned from the ranks, graduates from the Military Academy would be eligible for retirement at the age of fifty-four years, those commissioned from the ranks at fifty-six years and those from civil life at fifty-eight years.

There is a wide difference in the attitude of mind over leaving the service and seeking employment of a man of fifty-four years with ten years still to serve and one of fifty-eight with six years to serve. The one of fifty-four years if remunerative employment was offered him would in many cases take advantage of it but the one of fifty-eight years with only six years to serve would seldom if ever do so, while those commissioned from the ranks would be at a decided disadvantage compared with graduates from the Military Academy. In other words, as the bill is now written, graduates from the Military Academy would be able to take advantage of its provisions, officers commissioned from the ranks would be placed at a decided disadvantage, and officers commissioned from civil life would be practically excluded.

It is believed, in the interest of fairness to all officers, that that provision of the first paragraph of Sec. 6 of the proposed bill should refer to commissioned service, or that nongraduates of the U. S. Military Academy should be given four years of constructive service.

It is recommended that this part of the bill be changed to read thirty years' commissioned service (or thirty-one) or that it be changed to read substantially as follows:

That the first sentence of R. S. 1243 is hereby amended to read: "When an officer has been thirty-five years in the service he shall if he makes application therefor to the President be retired from active service and placed on the retired list. In computing the thirty-five years of service making an officer eligible for retirement under this provision, officers not graduates of the U. S. Military Academy shall be given four years of constructive service."

Colonels Not Considered. It is further noted that—Sec. 7, provides that a certain number of promotion-list Colonels shall be designated for transfer from the active list each year by the General Personnel Board. Officers below the grade of Colonel under this section may make application to be transferred from the active list as provided for Colonels. Colonels, however, are given no opportunity to submit such application for consideration. Why not give Colonels the same consideration that is given the lower grades? The Board does not have to fa-

Personals

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(Played by Sgt. Harold H. Putz.) Selection from the Opera, "Cavalleria Rusticana," Mascagni. Dance Waits, "Ting-A-Ling," Little. "Dance of the Hours" from "La Gioconda," Ponchielli.

The Adjutant and Inspector's Department of the Marine Corps held its Christmas celebration and luncheon on Dec. 23 in the "Big Room" in the third wing. The Major General Commandant and Brig. Gen. Rufus Lane, adjutant and inspector, and other ranking officers attended the celebration. Miss Jane F. Blakeney was chairman of the committee on arrangements and was assisted by Miss Kitty Kinear and Miss Margaret C. Shaughnessy.

The younger set at Fort Leavenworth, Kans., have already started their holiday festivities and the Christmas season promises to be a very merry one.

Miss Eleanor Jones gave a dinner, on her birthday, to 24 of her high school friends, afterward taking her guests to the December dance at Pope Hall.

Misses Christine Williams and Virginia Parrott are giving a dance at the Golf Club on the evening of Dec. 26.

Miss Mary Scott is giving a dinner on Dec. 28, before the dance to be given that night at Pope Hall by Miss Eleanor Jones and Suzanne Swift.

On the afternoon of Dec. 29, Miss Helen and Mr. Robert Moon are giving a tea dance at the Golf Club, while on the afternoon of Dec. 30, Miss Joanne Darby and Miss Gullion are giving a tea dance at the Officers' Club.

Mr. Parker Calvert has issued invitations to a dinner on Jan. 7, before the regular January dance in Pope Hall.

Merritt Lake is frozen over, which adds greatly to the happiness and pleasure of the young people.

Mrs. Gertrude Winslow Carleton, wife of Col. William A. Carleton, U. S. A., has published a booklet, "Intelligence Is the Living Well," written in response to an invitation from the Program Committee of the Conference of Committees of the World Conference on Narcotic Education and the International Narcotic Education Association, and presented at the conference, which was held recently at the Hotel Roosevelt in New York.

Capt. Archibald M. Mixson, Inf., U. S. A., who has been with the 30th Infantry at the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., the past year and a half, has reported for duty at Headquarters, Second Corps Area, Governors Island, New York, as Assistant Liaison Officer with the Organized Reserves. Mrs. Mixson and their two children have been at Governors Island since July visiting Mrs. Mixson's father, Maj. Gen. McRae.

Mrs. Atwater, widow of Capt. Charles Nelson Atwater, is visiting Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. Lybrand Palmer Smith, U. S. N., at their home on Kalorama Road, Washington, D. C.

Plan Housing Investigation

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was very anxious to go, and I did. It consisted of a quadrangle in the center of which was a yard about 100 feet square and on all sides were rooms, two or three stories high. We climbed an iron stairway from the yard on to a porch from which we entered one of the rooms. Wishing to freshen up a bit before going to dinner I asked for a bath room. I was directed down to the end of this long porch into the public bath room that was used by everyone in all of the quarters. The facilities there were most crowded and the bath room has to be reached summer and winter by going out on this porch. There are mostly bachelor officers living in these rooms but the post being in such a crowded condition they have had to move some married couples into this quadrangle. It is needless to picture to you the inconvenient, unsanitary conditions that exist and I could well see why they called it the 'Rat's Nest.'

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Benefits Paid.—Capt. Paul C. Berlin and Capt. George Rankin.

vorably consider such applications and it at least allows such officers to feel that they are given the same consideration as junior officers and they can at least save their feelings by thinking if they are selected for retirement that no one knows that it was not upon their own application. It appears probable that a sufficient number of Colonels passed over in making selections for promotion to the grade of Brigadier General will, if given an opportunity to do so, make application for retirement so that forcibly retiring few if any will be necessary. Colonels retired forcibly as proposed, might as well so far as their future prospects outside the Army are concerned be retired under the provisions of par. 24 (b) of the National Defense Act. It will be noted that the action of the Board under the proposed Sec. 6 is more drastic than under par. 24 (b) of the National Defense Act. Under 24 (b) the officer may present his case before a court of inquiry. Sec. 6 of the proposed act contains no provision for giving the officer a hearing.

Decorations Awarded Marines

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and later Chief of Staff of the Commanding General, during difficult and important pacification problems in connection with an insurrection in that country. Largely through his zeal, tact, energy and loyalty the successful outcome of operations in the difficult Leon and Chinandega areas was accomplished.

Capt. V. F. Bleasdale: "For having distinguished himself by display of extraordinary heroism, coolness and excellent judgment while performing advance guard duty of July 25, 1927, in an important expedition into Nueva Segovia, Nicaragua, during the progress of an insurrection in that country. As the expedition approached San Fernando, Captain Bleasdale, accompanied only by his orderly, rode ahead into the town, and on being attacked, fearlessly proceeded against tremendous odds and returning the fire held the enemy in check until the arrival of reinforcements. Largely through his prompt, courageous and effective action serious casualties to the personnel and train of the expedition were averted."

Col. L. M. Gulick: "For distinguished service to the Government in a duty of responsibility in command of the Fifth Regiment during difficult and important pacification operations in connection with an insurrection in Nicaragua in the Spring of 1927. Largely due to his zeal, loyalty and ability the successful outcome of these operations was assured."

Pvt. Rafael Torre: "For extraordinary heroism in battle when on the occasion of an engagement at San Fernando, Nicaragua, July 25, 1927, during an insurrection in that country, while performing advance guard duty in an important expedition into Nueva Segovia, he, accompanying his commanding officer, rode ahead into the town and on being attacked, fearlessly proceeded against tremendous odds, returning the fire, and at the risk of his life materially assisted in holding the enemy in check until the arrival of reinforcements. Although receiving wounds at this time, which later resulted in his death, Private Torre continued in the fight to the last, displaying that type of grit, determination and courage which characterizes conduct above and beyond all call of duty."

Capt. G. D. Hatfield: "For having distinguished himself by the display of extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty combined with coolness and excellent judgment during an attack by a superior force upon the detachment of which he was in command at Ocotal, Nicaragua, on July 16, 1927, during the progress of an insurrection in that country. Largely due to his heroism, skill and ability his small command succeeded in holding out against the heaviest odds."

Maj. O. Floyd: "For distinguished service to the Government in a duty of respon-

sibility in organizing and commanding an important and hazardous expedition, during an insurrection in Nicaragua in July, 1927, through 300 miles of hostile territory of extremely difficult terrain into the dangerous section of Nueva Segovia. Largely through his unusual ability, courage, judgment and excellent leadership hostile bandit forces were successfully engaged, and law and order rapidly restored in a region rife with banditry and disorder."

First Sgt. T. C. Bruce: "For having distinguished himself by display of extraordinary heroism, coolness and excellent judgment in performance of duty on the occasion of an attack by a vastly superior force on the Marine detachment of which he was a member at Ocotal, Nicaragua, on July 16, 1927, during the progress of an insurrection in that country. At the beginning of the engagement First Sergeant Bruce placed a Lewis gun in a street swept by machine gun fire and returned the fire until the enemy gun was silenced. Repeatedly during the engagement Sergeant Bruce displayed that high type of courage which characterizes conduct above and beyond the call of duty, and his actions greatly contributed to the success of the small detachment in holding out against the heaviest odds."

At the same time the Secretary approved the Board's award of letters of commendation to 47 of the Marine Corps personnel in connection with their duty in Nicaragua. The following is the list of recipients:

Capt. R. J. Archibald, Pvt. C. F. Been, Cpl. C. F. Bell, Pvt. A. J. Bertolini, Sgt. O. R. Blackburn, 2nd Lt. A. G. Bliesener, Cpls. L. A. Bowersox, A. L. Byrd, Pvt. H. H. Campbell, Cpl. A. Carruthers, Pvt. A. O. Chase, 1st Lt. G. C. Darnall, Gnr. Sgt. N. H. Frazier, Pts. C. S. Garrison, H. H. Gibbs, J. W. Gimpel, 2nd Lt. J. C. Harmon, Pts. L. F. Heath, C. M. Helms, N. A. Hollowell, L. F. Ingram, H. S. James, G. J. Killday, H. F. Kuhns, R. F. Lauer, son, G. W. Liggett, W. A. Lutz, Cpl. E. L. Lyman, 1st Lt. C. H. McCullough, Gnr. Sgt. A. S. Munsch, Cpls. J. L. Neel, L. G. Norris, Lt. Col. A. J. O'Leary, Gnr. Sgt. C. T. Ostick, Cpl. L. M. Pabst, Pvt. L. L. Partle, Pvt. 1-cl. O. E. Pennington, Capt. F. E. Pierce, Pts. C. V. Plum, J. B. Pugh, Pvt. 1-cl. J. D. Russell, Lt. Col. C. R. Sanderson, Pvt. 1-cl. H. H. Sneed, Pts. W. K. Stainbrook, C. C. Struhar, Cpl. L. S. Swenson, 2nd Lts. E. A. Thomas, F. D. Weir, Pvt. B. R. Williams, Marine Gnr. M. Wodarczyk.

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members of the younger set and the married set attended.

On Friday afternoon, Dec. 23, Capt. and Mrs. Henry E. Lackey entertained at a tea dance for their daughter Miss Catherine Lackey who is at home for the holidays.

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